#### 'Lebanese Forces' warns MEA

BEIRUT (R) — Lebanon's main rightist militia warned Middle East Airlines (MEA), the national carrier, on Saturday to stop using Beirut airport from Sunday, airport sources said. The warning was apparently part of a drive by the mostly Christian "Lebanese Forces" to get government authorisation for operations at a new airport in a Christian-held area north of the capital. "Lebanese Forces" officials refused to confirm or. deny that they had sent an ultimatum. The sources said the warning was received by MEA officials who had held an emergency meeting to discuss it. They did not reveal whether the militia had threatened to take specific action if it was ignored. Christian parts of Lebanon came to a standstill on Saturday in response to a strike call by the "Lebanese Forces" to back its demand for the opening of a makeshift airport at Halat, a strip of deserted highway 25 kilometres north of Beirut.

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Reinstated

seat belt

regulation

effect today

By Rana Sabbagh Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — The reinstated reg-

ulation calling for the mandatory use of seat belts goes into effect today and the Public Security

Department (PSD) has warned

that violators of the regulation

So watch out. It saves money to

excess of 60 kilometres per hour

not, offenders will be fined be-

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#### Rifai briefs Cabinet on OIC summit

AMMAN (Petra) — The Cabinet held a session on Saturday under the chairmanship of Prime Minis-ter Zaid Rifai. During the meet-ing Mr. Rifai briefed the Cabinet on the results of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) summit held last week in Kuwait. The prime minister also briefed the Cabinet on the role which His Majesty King Hussein played during the conference and the efforts he made through the meetings and talks he held with Arab and Muslim leaders to serve and support Arab causes.

#### Jordan and Egypt plan major microwave project

AMMAN (J.T.) — Jordan and Egypt open talks here on Tuesday on implementation of a major regional telecommunications project between the two countries using modern microwave systemsthrough Aqaba and Sinai. During the meeting the two sides will discuss works achieved so far and the remaining stages of the project which is expected to be put into service before the end of this year. The project will provide advanced telephone services between the two countries.

#### Prices of Arabic dailies go up

AMMAN (J.T.) — Jordan's three Arabic dailies — Al Ra'i, Al Dustour and Sawt Al Shaab --will be sold for 75 fils as of today instead of the previous price of 50 fils. The decision was taken with approval by the Ministry of Information following a request: by the publishers of the threepapers to offset a continuing rise in the price of newsprint papers and a decline in advertising revenues. The publishers of three dailies had earlier furnished the Ministry of Information with invoices to support their case and these showed that over the past 12 months newsprint paper prices had increased three times, forcing newspapers in neighbouring countries, namely Kuwait and Egypt, to double prices.

#### Arabs to counter Europe-Israel move

DAMASCUS (R) - The Arab Boycott of Israel Office adopted measures on Saturday to counter a joint European-Israeli chamber of commerce established in Paris. A statement issued by the office's Arab liaison officers after a sixday meeting gave no details of the measures but said they were aimed at "foiling the chamber's pro-Israeli objectives." Arab Boycott Commissioner-General Zuheir Aqeel said earlier the new chamber was a prelude to complete economic cooperation between the European Community and Israel, similar to a U.S.-Israeli treaty signed two years ago to establish a free trade zone.

#### 2 more killed in Karachi violence

KARACHI (AP) — At least two people were killed and 30 others injured Saturday when police opened fire on rioters, who fired back and hurled gasoline bottle bombs and rocks, witnesses and hospital officials said. In the second straight day of rioting in Karachi, some 200 people were arrested in the city's Orangi district when members of the Bihari ethnic community tried to march on the house of the provincial

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# Iraq reports recapturing Fish Lake from Iranians

Iraqi warplanes keep up heavy air attacks

BAGHDAD (Agencies) — Iraq said Saturday its armed forces had recaptured some territory seized by Iranian troops in a cross-border offensive east of the city of

in late December.

"After a series of battles, the Thursday more than a quarter of Iragis were able to wrest from the teeth of the imposters (Iranians) what they thought was a foothold and a safe base for new aggression against Basra," a high com-

mand communique said. Irag's defence minister, General Adnan Khairallah, said the Iranians had been driven from the shores of Fish Lake, a manmade stretch of water northeast

of the city. The communique said the Iranians had mobilised all their military strength in a small area of seven by five kilometres in preparation for an assault on

"Those troops have been changed into piles of rotten comses to be eaten by scavengers," it

Both sides claim to have inflicted tens of thousands of casualties since Iran lannched its offensive on Jan. 9.

wounding 3,300 Iraqis. Iraq's ruling Baath Party newspaper, Al Thawra, said last Iraqi soldiers were also taken

# Kuwaitholds 11 suspects in oil site

arson cases KUWAIT (AP) — Eleven suspects have been rounded up in connection with recent sabotage fires in southern Kuwaiti oil in-

stallations, the government announced Saturday. The latest spate of fires was reported Jan. 19, shortly before Kuwait hosted the 46-member

Organisation of Islamic Conference's (OIC) summit. The same suspects were also blamed for three blasts which precipitated major fires in the

same region last June. A man-hunt for five other suspects was under way, the Interior Ministry said in a statement distributed by the Kuwait News

Agency.

The Jan. 19 fires in the Magwa' oil field and an oil loading terminal a few kilometres away broke out simultaneously six days before the summit was convened. Initial summit sessions were overshadowed by threats from pro-Iranian terrorist groups

against Kuwait. No casualties were reported in the fires which lasted only two hours, according to official state-

ments. Three explosions in the Al Ahmadi oil complex 10 kilometres from Magwa' ignited a major fire last June which were also blamed on pro-Iranian saboteurs.

Iran, a member of the OIC, boycotted the Islamic summit after accusing Kuwait of supporting fraq in the 66-month-old Iran-

Iraq war.
The Interior Ministry said Saturday the suspects had concealed quantities of arms and explosives, which were captured

by police forces. The suspects were referred to the prosecutor general who was to issue indictments, it said.

· The ministry did not reveal the nationalities of the suspects but, judging by their names, they appeared to be of Iranian des-

The emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, presided on Saturday over an extraordinary session of the council of ministers to review the outcome of the OIC

The Kuwaiti News Agency quoted an official as saying he told the Foreign Ministry to set up a special department to help to follow up resolutions of the

# **Baghdad**

BAGHDAD (R) — An Iranian surface-to-face missile smashed into Baghdad on Saturday night, the seventh missile to hit the Iraqi capital this year. Residents said a lond explosion was heard over a a million Iranians had been killed radius of several kilometres when or injured since an earlier assault the missile struck at 2035 local time (1735 GMT) and a huge Iran claimed its forces repulsed cloud of black smoke rose into the Saturday's attack, killing or sky. Windows were shattered over wounding at least 3,300 Iraqis in a distance of about one kilometre, heavy fighting overnight near they said, as many people rushed out of doors in panic. There was In Baghdad, the war communique read over state television said no immediate news about casual-Traqi troops scored "a great vic-

"The battle was a great one," prisoner after they tried to "infilan excited television announcer trate" Iranian positions on the said, reading from the comwestern bank of the Fish Lake near Jasim-River, 10 kilometres As he read the announcement, from Basra.

Missile lands in

the sound of automatic gunfire Earlier on Saturday Iraq sent crackled through the Iraqi capital as people fired guns in the air in fresh waves of warplanes to attack Iran, signalling no let-up in an intensive air war launched Iran's Islamic republic news in response to the latest ground agency, monitored by AP in Nicosia, said Iran pushed back offensive by Iranian forces.

Officials said aircraft took off at sunrise and headed eastward to hit economic targets and cities in

Iran on Friday urged citizens to

help build shelters against the Iraqi raids, saying attacks in the last three weeks had killed more than 2,000 people.

Al Thawra said the air raids

would continue until Iran was forced to accept a just solution to the war, now in its seventh year. War communiques from

Baghdad said braqi planes on Friday attacked about a dozen Iranian cities and towns, plus a number of oil installations and other economic targets. A military spokesman later said Iraqi jets attacked

the northern Iranian towns of Rezaiyeh and Miandoub, both near the Turkish border. He said the planes destroyed

an electric power station and fuel stores at Rezaiyeh and "selected targets" at Miandoub before returning to base. The spokesman said Iraqi jets

also attacked on Saturday a "large naval target" — Baghdad's normal term for an oil tanker or a merchant vessel - near the Iranian coast in the northern Gulf. The Iraqi News Agency said Iraqi warpianes attacked "a big naval target" Friday near the

The Lloyds of London identified the target as the Cypriot

# White House-insists that Senate panel report backs Reagan statements

supports President scandal Reagan's version of events but dent's claim that this was not a aides acknowledged many ques-hostage swap." tions remain unanswered.

the counterattack, killing or

programme was an effort to open dialogue with a strategically im-portant country rather than a hostage swap.

The facts as they are coming ont are bearing out what the president said," White House spokesman Larry Speakes told reporters on Friday, responding to the release on Thursday of a Senate Intelligence Committee report on the scandal.

Speakes' contention that the intelligence committee report November. supported Mr. Reagan's position was challenged by Democratic Senator George Mitchell. "The report provides substan-

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — tial, strong evidence that this was
The White House has said that
Senate report on the Iran arms

tial, strong evidence that this was essentially a swap for hostages,"

These included the roles of the White House staff, the Central directly contradicts the presi-

Intelligence committee mem-Mr. Reagan has denied know- ber Sen. Frank Murkowski, an ledge of the transfer of profits Alaska Republican, said he be-from the arms sales to U.S.- lieved Mr. Reagan's desire to free lieved Mr. Reagan's desire to free backed contra rebels in Nicar-agua and has said the covert purpose of the sales from the

Two key figures in the arms sales, former National Security Adviser John Poindexter and his aide Oliver North, refused to testify to the Senate committee, citing their constitutional protection against self-incrimination.

Vice-Admiral Poindexter resigned and Lieutenant-Colonel North was dismissed when the diversion of arms profits to the contras was disclosed last

In its report the intelligence committee listed numerous questions to be followed up by the Senate Select Committee which Intelligence Agency (CIA) and U.S. and foreign private citizens in the scandal. The White House has long

urged publication of the Senate report which it hoped would help defuse the scandal and enable Mr. Reagan to concentrate on his legislative programme. In his state of the union address

to Congress on Tuesday Mr. Reagan made only a brief reference to the affair, preferring to speak of his proposals to make the United States more competitive in international markets. Speakes acknowledged that the

15-month Iran arms sale episode "could be interpreted as a trade of arms for hostages, but this was not the policy approved by the

The report said the arms sales to Iran stemmed from pressure from Israel and international

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# Junblatt offers himself as 'hostage' instead of Waite

MUKHTARA, Lebanon (Agencies) — Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) leader Walid Junblatt said Saturday he had offered himself as a substitute hostage if British church envoy Terry Waite proved to have been kidnapped. Mr. Junblatt, whose fighters of

the mainly Druze PSP acted as bodyguards for the Anglican archbishop of Canterbury's representative until he disappeared in west Beirnt 12 days ago, told Renters he had made the offer to an unidentified political party he had contacted.

"I told them 'don't embarrass me. If you want to, take me as a hostage, but I want Mr. Waite delivered'," he said. He did not say what response his suggestion received.

British government and church officials said they were urgently seeking news about Mr. Waite after a leftist militia official said

he had been kidnapped. "Obviously we have no corroborative evidence, but this report increases our concern that nothing has been seen or heard of Mr. Waite for several days,"

Ambassador John Gray said. In London, a church spokeswoman said Archbishop Robert Runcie had sent fresh messages to Druze leaders asking for urgent clarification on the fate of his aide.

pine-clad Shouf mountains southsay if assurances he had given the archbishop on Mr. Waite's safety were still valid.

"I'm not certain about these assurances. I'm just keeping in touch with the people who have a kind of relationship with Mr. Waite and other imprisoned Americans," he said. On Wednesday, the PSP leader

told Archbishop Runcie his envoy was safe and was pursuing efforts to negotiate the release of Western hostages in Lebanon, especially two U.S. citizens held by the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad (holy war) group.

Mr. Junblatt declined to identify which of Lebanon's many factions he had contacted in his search for the missing envoy. "Up till now, according to what

they (the unidentified party) say, patient." it would be better not to mention who they are for the security of Mr. Waite," he said. "They say he is all right. He is not imprisoned. He is not kidnapped."

Waite's long disappearance. He would not say when he had last word from the "party" about Mr. Waite's whereabouts.

However, Mr. Junblatt appeared worried about Mr. in touch with Mr. Waite.

A militia official, who asked

Mr. Junblatt, 39, interviewed not to be named, told reporters at his ancestral palace in the Friday night: "My information is that Waite will not be returning, east of Beirut, said he could not as he has been kidnapped. He has been aided to the list of hos-

He added: "He became one (a hostage) the day he left without his bodyguards. That was the trick they (kidnappers) played because they had planned for him not to return and did not want the bodyguards to know where they went.

Mr. Waite's cousin, John Waite, said he and other relatives in Britain believed the militia official's remarks had an "awful ring of truth." Mr. Junblatt said there was

"nothing precise" about reports that Mr. Waite was being held against his will, adding: "I hope to have more information by next week and then I will be frank about Mr. Waite's fate. Let's be

He said the original assurances about Mr. Waite's safety had been given to the Druze by a west to 7.539. Beirut doctor in contact with the In a press conference two weeks hostage-holders but not directly

"I hope he is giving us the right message," Mr. Junblatt said of the doctor, whom he did not

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# U.S. carrier ordered to stay in Mediterranean

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — The U.S. aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy has been ordered to remain indefinitely in the Mediterranean because of rising tension in the Middle East, the we are prepared if our strategic Pentagon said Saturday.

Spokeswoman Jan Bodanyi been extended indefinitely.

will be liable for fines ranging Bodanyi said the United States stick to the law! It also helps reduce a heavy casualty toll on the inusual number for us."

roads, which last year averaged 22 killed or injured everyday, be in the Mediterranean operataccording to PSD statistics. The reintroduction of the seat belt law was preceded by a monthlong beavy media campaign over the importance of harnessing oneself to the seat. Under the law all motorists and front-seat passen-

chief Pentagon spokesman Robert Sims who said earlier this gers cruising on inter-city roads week that the deployments are and highways with speed limits in precautionary moves to ensure that the president has all options (kph) have to wear seat belts. If available to him that he might choose given concerns in the re- page 4

tween JD 5 and JD 15 - depending on the speed limit.

Drivers who have not fitted their cars with seat belts will face a double fine, and in the future the licence of their vehicles will not be renewed. Each car has to be equipped with head rests on both front-seats, in accordance

with the law. In June 1984, when the law on seat belts was first introduced, Jordan banned the import of cars without seat belts or head rests, but many of the 295,000 vehicles now on the road are between five to 10 years old.

first introduced in June 1984, and then scrapped by former Interior Minister Hassan Al Kayed a year However, some of the local au-

thorities and concerned road safety societies campaigned strongly for reimplementing the legisla-Some people interviewed at

random by the Jordan Times over the past month expressed surprise over the optional use of the seat belt on roads with speed limits less than 60 kph. "Studies conducted abroad

show that wearing seat belts at all times cuts the fatality rate by 25 umes cuts the latenty rate by 25 per cent. In addition, the severity of injuries is reduced," according to a seasoned researcher on road accidents.

The researcher, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said that PSD statistics for 1986 revealed that 75 per cent of the year's 13.701 road accidents occurred inside cities, where speed limits are smally low due to various factors including traffic conjes-tion, narrow roads and beavy

pedestrian movement. "I do wonder over the PSD's enforcement of the seat belt law on roads with speed limits of more than 60 kpb," especially if the main reason given by the department for reenacting the law is to cut heavy casualty toll," the re-searcher told the Jordan Times.

In a recent press conference, Brigadier Ahmad Abu Al Sa'ad, assistant PSD director for traffic affairs, said: "We do encourage the public to always use their seat belts regardless of the speed they are driving." However, he admitted that "it takes the public a long time to get accustomed to wearing the seat belts at all times while in

Brig. Abu Al Sa'ud told reporters on Dec. 30, two days before the law was officially reenacted and a month before it was to be technically implemented, that his department's goal was to convince people that seat belts were necessary for their safety.

Last year's road statistics showed a welcome drop in crashes and casualties. The death toll fell by 31 per cent to 362, and the number of injured by 17 per cent.

ago, PSD Director General Lieutenant-General Abdul Hadi Al Majali stressed his depart-ment's hopes to reduce death from road accidents to at least 10 for every 10,000 cars from the 1986 ratio of 16 : 19.000.

# "We are, of course, concerned

The carrier, which left Malaga, Spain, Friday night, was due to leave the area and head home last

said the Kennedy will conduct manoeuvres in the Mediterrapean amid rising Middle East tensions and that the ship's normal six-month deployment has

had about 30 ships in the region, including the aircraft carrier Nimitz, and said: "That is not an "The Kennedy is scheduled to

ing area," Bodanyi said. She refused to pinpoint the exact location, saying "we never discuss details of ship movements." She referred to statements by

gone through the Straits of Gibraltar into the Atlantic or were heading east towards Lebanon. In London, the U.S. Navy confirmed that the John F. Kennedy had left Malaga "as a result of an operational schedule change" but

interests are threatened to show

support for our friends in the

region," Sims said.
The ship movements have coin-

cided with intensified fighting be-

tween Iran and Iraq in their

seven-year war and the kidnap-

pings of more Americans in

Lebanon by pro-Iranian extrem-

A Spanish naval spokesman told Reuters by telephone he had

no information whether the car-

rier and its cruiser escorts had

declined to disclose where the ship was heading. The United States has about 23 warships and seven support vessels of the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean.

What are U.S. options in Gulf,

# Mubarak renews pledge to support Gulf Arabs

ABU DHABI (Agencies) — President Hosni Mubarak reiterated his support for Gulf Arab states on Saturday after paying the first visit by an Egyptian head of state to the United Arab Emi-

brothers in the Gulf as they face critical dangers at this time in Arab history," President Mubarak said in a message to UAE President Sheikh Zayed Ibn Sultan Al Nahayan. The message was released by the Emirates News Agency (WAM) shortly after Mr. Mubarak left for Cairo. He was apparently referring to

the six-year-old war between Iran and Iraq. Egypt backs Iraq politically and militarily and sent a message of support to the UAE last November when unidentified planes, believed by Western di-plomats to have been Iranian, bombed an oilfield off Abu

Dhabi. WAM said Mr. Mubarak's Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) summit in Kuwait, Arab developments and bilateral cooperation.

Mr. Mubarak's message said the discussions were "an advanced step on the road to true Arab solidarity and feelings of

### common goal and destiny. relations with Gulf Arab states.

CAIRO (R) — Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke, who pledged support in Israel for an ndependent Palestinian state, is for trade and political talks with Egyptian leaders.
He will be the first Australian

prime minister to visit Egypt since 1956

Mr. Hawke said last Thursday in Israel that his government believed the Palestinians had the right to establish an independent

comed in Egypt. Australian Ambassador Kenneth Rogers told reporters Mr. Hawke was expected to meet President Hosni Mubarak and "learn at first hand his views on

the Middle East and review the

#### state of bilateral relations." Peres may visit Cairo

In another development, Israeli officials said Friday that Al Assad walk hand-in-hand into Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres was likely to visit Egypt next month, demonstrating that positions adopted at this week's Islamic summit would not impede Middle East peace moves.
The officials, briefing reports

on Israel's assessment of the summit positions on Israel had to this," an official said.

He added, without elaborating: "There is no doubt they will have good repercussions in the near

An Egyptian spokesman earlier said Mr. Mubarak and Sheikh rates (UAE) after Cairo signed a Zayed discussed the possibility of separate peace treaty with Israel forging a unified political approach to deal with the latest "I affirm once more that Egypt developments in the Gulf region stands with all its weight and and reviewed the situation in the

The visit came as part of the "positive progress in Egypt's relations with the majority of Arab states," in the 22-member Arab League, the spokesman, Mam-

douh Al Biltagui, said. The UAE was among the majority of Arab states that severed relations with Egypt in 1979 when the late President Anwar Sadat signed the separate

treaty with Israel. Despite the absence of formal diplomatic relations, Egypt and the UAE maintained close economic and cultural links. The UAE says resumption of diplomatic ties must be carried out within the framework of the Arah

League.
The semi-official UAE daily Al talks on Samrday with Sheikh Ittihad said in an editorial that Zayed dealt with the war, the Mr. Mubarak's visit "deepens the Mr. Mubarak's visit "deepens the close ties of friendship and destiny between the two brotherly

peoples." Diplomatic sources quoted by Reuter said Mr. Mubarak, who also visited Oman after the OIC summit, was trying to maintain momentum towards normalising

### Hawke due in Cairo

not been softened and on some points the final communique used slightly harsher tone.
"We had no great expectations due to arrive in Cairo on Sunday from the meeting and are there-

fore not disappointed. Although the summit called on member states not to resume ties with us, it certainly did not produce resolutions creating new hurdles for the peace process," one official The officials said efforts to-

wards Arab-Israeli peace could see a revival now since Israel His remarks were warmly wel- believed Arab states had been awaiting the summit before taking any action.

Arab newspapers published in East Jerusalem criticised the summit's failure to take new initiatives on the Palestinian issue.

Israeli officials said Israel was "not worried" by signs of a warming of relations between Egypt and Syria, demonstrated when Presidents Mubarak and Hafez

the conference hall on Tuesday.

"Israel has always said it had no objections to Egypt improving its relations with other Arab states as long as this did not jeopardise peace between Egypt and Israel. There is no reason to believe better ties between Knwait meeting, said past Islamic Damascus and Cairo should lead

# U.S. denies knowledge of any ransom for hostages

WASHINGTON (R) — U.S. State Department officials have denied any knowledge of alleged ransom payments for the release of American hostages held in Lebanon.

"Our policy on this is well Waite in cash. Two million dolknown — we do not pay ransom lars was paid for Jacobsen," said for hostages and we don't encour- Khalaf, also known as Abu Iyad. age anyone else to pay ransoms," one official said.

A senior Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) official alleged Friday that \$2 million was paid to secure the release of American hostage David Jacobsen, who was freed last November.

We know nothing at all about that," said a State Department official who declined to be identi-

Salah Khalaf, a close aide of PLO leader Yasser Arafat, told reporters in Tunis the money was paid in cash by British church envoy Terry Waite for the release of Jacobsen, who had been held by the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad (Holy War) group for 17 months.

He said the cash did not come directly from the U.S. government but that American firms contributed to a fund intended to

be used as ransom money. Mr. Khalaf said the payment was intended to be part of a wider deal including other U.S. hostages held in Lebanon, but this fell through.

Jacobsen, director of the American University Hospital in west Beirut, was freed on Nov. 2 as a result of Mr. Waite's mediation. Islamic Jihad said at the time it was holding two other Americans, journalist Terry Anderson and university Dean Thomas Sutherland.

Mr. Khalaf's statement came amid reports from Lebanon that "The money was paid through Mr. Waite, who is on another

mission to try to free hostages, was under house arrest there or had been kidnapped.

A total of 26 foreigners are missing in Lebanon, including three Americans and an Indian abducted last Saturday.

Last December, Texas multimillionaire H. Ross Perot said on U.S. television he had raised \$2 million in hostage ransom cash in May last year at the request of then National Security Council aide Lieutenant Colonel Oliver

Perot indicated then that the money was not used, but its eventual disposition was not made clear.

On Friday, in Dallas, following a question about his possible involvement in the ransom payment, Perot said through a spokesman,"I am not involved and I have no knowledge of it." Col. North was fired last November by President Reagan following the disclosure that profits from U.S. arms sales to Iran

were turned over to Nicaraguan

# U.S. reportedly relied on questionable middleman in secret Iran arms deal

WASHINGTON (R) - The White House relied heavily on a possibly untrustworthy middleman in its secret arms sales to Iran, Senate investigators said in the first official report on the

The report said Manucher Ghorbanifar, an Iranian arms dealer who conducted negotiations between Washington and Tehran, failed a Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) lie-detector test in January 1986.

It said that although his credentials were questioned at one point by President Reagan, National senior officials. Security Council (NSC) officials A 1985 State

Robert McFarlane and Oliver North continued to use him to make contacts with Iran.

This was at least partly on the strength of assurances by Israeli officials, the report said.

McFarlane was quoted by the New York Times as saying he would not have initiated the contacts through Ghorbanifar had he known of the questions over his background.

McFarlane said in an interview with the newspaper he thought Ghorbanifar was an adviser to the Iranian prime minister and other

A 1985 State Department in-

telligence report branded Ghorbanifar a "talented fabricator" and other testimony showed the CIA ordered its agents in 1984 not to deal with him, the investigators found.

They also said the CIA "was aware of one instance in which Ghorbanifar had reportedly offered to provide intelligence on Iran to a third country in return for permission from the third country to continue the drug smuggling activities of Ghorbanifar's associates with the country concerned.'

The committee did not elabo-

# Reagan informed of Israeli weapons shipment to Iran during Geneva summit

By Walter Pincus and Dan Morgan

WASHINGTON — The Iranian arms initiative resulted from President Reagan's "deep concern" over American hostages in Lebanon, Israel's desire to step up contacts with Iran and pressure from foreign middlemen and arms dealers, as much as any court moderate elements in Iran, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence said in a report.

The 65-page document, cleared for release on a 14-to-1-vote, provided fresh details about not only the Iranian arms transactions but also the still-murky links service would mention Iran as between those sales and the di- one of the countries that refused version of the proceeds to aid the Nicaraguan rebels.

Among the new details contained in the report are that:

National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane at the Geneva summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in November 1985 that the Israelis were considering an arms shipment to Iran and "if the operation was successful, hostages might be freed."

 U.S. intelligence material on Iraq was delivered on several effort by the administration to occasions as part of the Iranian demands, over the objections of

- In an attempt to show that the United States was bargaining seriously, U.S. negotiators last September told Tehran that the Voice of America broadcasting landing rights to the hijackers of a TWA airliner in June 1985.

A few days later, CIA and NSC officials met to discuss a draft of - Mr. Reagan and his top the editorial thank-you. Working

through State Department offi-cials, the NSC staff convinced the United States Information Agency -- the VOA's parent organisation — that the unusual request came from "the highest levels." The editorial was broadcast over a three-day period.

Intelligence committee chairman David L. Boren (D-Okla.) noted that while the report drew no conclusions and was only a summary of the testimony and documentation obtained by the group during a two-month investigation, the facts as presented led to the conclusion that "foreign policy was made by amateurs" during the period covered by the U.S.-backed arms selling programme.

"At this point in time, there is still no direct evidence that (Regan) knew of or directed the diversion of (Iranian) funds (to the contras)," Boren said.

# **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### Israel denies arms supplies to contras

TEL AVIV (R) - Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin has denied reports that Israel had provided arms to Nicaraguan rebels. A spokesman issued a statement by the minister as saying: "There is no truth in these reports claiming that Israel had suggested to the U.S. the supply of arms to the contras" The denial followed reports by Israel ridio and television quoting excerpts from a U.S. Senate report on American arms supplies to Iran and diversion of profits from sales to the contras.

#### Castro receives Iranian message

HAVANA (R) — An Iranian delegation met Cuban President Fidel Castro and gave him a letter from Iranian Prime Minister Mir-Hossein Mousavi, the newspaper Granma has reported. It said Mr. Castro and the Iranian delegation, headed by Deputy Prime Minister Alireza Moayeri, analysed the international situation, especially that of Central America and the Middle East. They also discussed bilateral relations and the activities of the Non-Aligned Movement, of which both Iran and Cuba are

#### Iranian aide to visit Japan

TOKYO (AP) Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Larijani will visit Japan on Feb. 2 for talks on bilateral issues with his Japanese counterpart, a Foreign Ministry official has said. During his four-day official visit, Larijani will discuss bilateral and global issues with Deputy Foreign Minister Shinichi Yanai, said the official, speaking on condition of

#### Iran appoints new air force chief

TEHRAN (R) - Iran has named Colonel Mansour Sattari as its new air force commander, Islamic Republic newspaper said Saturday. It said the appointment was endorsed by revolutionary leader Avatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, who is charged with appointing senior military commanders under Iran's 1979 constitution. Col. Sattari. 39, replaces Col. Houshang Sedio who was reported in hospital last week.

# 'Iran may have used U.S. intelligence in Fao attack'

By Stephens Broening

WASHINGTON — Iran may have used intelligence provided by the United States last year to win its first advance over Iraq in their Gulf war, threatening to tip the military balance toward Iran in direct contradiction of U.S. policy, senior officials have said. According to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence's report on the Iran-contra affair, the intelligence was given to the Iranians — over CIA objections at the insistence of the National. Security Council staff.

NSC officials had organised secret arms sales to Iran as part of a controversial plan to restore relations with Tehran and gain Iran's help in liberating American hostages held in Lebanon. The furnished intelligence was an added element. They also planned to divert some of the proceeds from the sales to aid the Nicaraguan contras. The Senate report said the in-

telligence on Iraq was given to the Iranians just as they were preparing for their attack on Fao, Iraq's major oil-refining centre

and the key to present kranian offensive against Basra, Iraq's second-largest- city. Senior officials said the U.S.

intelligence on the strength and disposition of Iraqi defences would have been helpful — if not critical - in the Iranians' unexpected seizure of Fao last

U.S. policy in the Gulf has been founded on the premise than an Iranian victory with the present fundamentalist regime would destabilise the whole region, and would present a special menace to America's closest Arab friends. Governments of Arab countries

friendly to the United States have bitterly criticised the NSC's Iran initiative, and State Department officials say diplomatic instructions intended to placate the Arabs have done little to calm their fears. Revelation of the intelligence-sharing would be likely to increase Arab apprehension, officials said. According to the report, the

Iranian initiative was undertaken despite the objections of Secretary of State George Shultz, who was deprived of essentia formation, and Secretary of Defence Caspar Weinberger, who appears to have been somewhat better informed. The Joint Chief of Staff were excluded from the process, the report said, as were the leading experts in the State and Defence Departments.

The Senate panel account supports Mr. Shultz's contention that he was only sporadically informed of the secret arms sales to Iran, possibly because of his position to them — The Baltimore

# Mahdi: Laws to replace Sharia ready

Sudanese cabinet is studying draft laws to replace a harsh version of Sharia (Islamic Law) introduced in 1983, Prince Minister Sadeq Al Mahdi said.

"I am happy to say that all studies of the new laws are finished and are being studied by the cabinet before they go to the constituent assembly (parliament)," he said Friday night. Mr. Mahdi, addressing a meet-

ing of the non-government Arab Organisation for Human Rights, did not disclose the nature of the new laws and did not say when they would go to parliament. Form President Jazfar

Numeiri, ousted in a military coup in April 1985, imposed earlier in the meeting by Moham-

KHARTOUM (R) — The Sharia on Sudan's ethnically-utverse 23 million pecials in September 1983.

Implementation of its tene ts such as limb amputations and floggings angered some Sudanese and swelled ranks of anti-government rebels fighting troops in the mainly Christian and pagan south since May 1983.

Western diplomats said the new laws would safeguard rights of Sudan's non-Muslims but were expected to face tough opposition from Muslim militants in parlia-

Mr. Mahdi's remarks Friday night followed a call for immediate abrogation of Sharia made

Sudan's Human Rights Organics. tion and a history professor at

Khartoum University. Mr. Beshir also urged Mr. Mahdi to lift emergency laws in force since the 1940 coup and to press ahead with plans to convene a delayed constitutional conference envisaged to work out a formula for power-sharing among Sudan's ethnic factions.

Proposals to convene such a conference first surfaced after Numeri's overthrow. But the refusal of the Sudan People's Liberation Aramy (SPLA), the main rebel group in the south, is believed to have prevented it from taking place.

# Seoul still puzzled over fate of kidnapped envoy

SEOUL (R) - The fate of a statement delivered to an interna-South Korean diplomat, kidnap- tional news agency in Beirut: ped in Lebanon a year ago Saturday and unheard from since, is still baffling the government bere, officials said.

What is annoying is that he has still not surfaced anywhere, no one knows if he is dead or alive and there has so far been no offer of negotiations," one official said. We are helplessly groping in the dark."

Second Secretary Do Chae-Sung, 44, was driving to work in mainly Muslim west Beirut when four gunnen seized him in broad daylight on a seafront boulevard. He had been stationed in the Lebanese capital for three

The kidnappers, waiting in a green Mercedes, got out to stop Do's official car 25 metres from the South Korean embassy, dragged him out and pumped machinegun bullets into one of the front tyres, according to a colleague riding with Do whom the gunmen did not seize.

Do was the first South Korean diplomat abducted overseas and the first East Asian official taken bostage in Lebanon.

Several previously unknown groups claimed responsibility for his abduction, but none has made contact again, Foreign Ministry officials here said. Two days after the kidnapping

the Sunni Muslim Voice of the Homeland radio said an anonymous caller, claiming to be acting on behalf of the "Green Brigades" group, threatened to re-sort to violence unless a \$10 million ransom was paid by Feb. 10, 1986. The demand was not followed up and no ransom was paid, the officials said.

A day later the Fighting Re-volutionary Cells group said in a

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arms dealers plus Mr. Reagan's deep desire to free American hostages being held by pro-Iranian groups in Lebanon.

Speculation continued that Mr. Reagan's Chief of Staff Donald Regan would leave the White House soon as a result of the Iran scandal, the president's worst political crisis in his six years at the White House.

We call on the South Korean government to meet all the demands that we will put forward, otherwise he will be liquidated." The statement was accompanied by a colour photograph of

Do in captivity, looking haggard and unshaven and holding the latest issue of Time magazine

The South Korean government, believing the picture genuine, hoped the group would make specific demands but none was made.

South Korea has sought help from the United States, the Beirut government and major religious factions in Lebanon, International Red Cross societies and friendly Arab countries. "But there is no sign of any-

body positively beloing secure Do's release, and are at a loss except to try to appeal to the Lebanese and international media," a Foreign Ministry official here said. On Friday night Do's wife,

daughter and father were shown on Lebanese television in tears, pleading for his release. His 68-year-old father said in the

video-taped appeal: "I beg that you return him soon to the family I wish to see him before I Twenty five other foreigners

are listed missing, believed to be held by militants in Lebanon. On Friday a senior militia official said in Berrut that British

church envoy Terry Waite, who

disappeared from public view on Jan. 20, had been kidnapped. On Jan. 15 Mr. Waite said his secret talks to free foreign hostages in Lebanon were making good progress, but gave no de-

tails of his talks or the people he

### White House: Report backs Reagan

Press commentators have blamed Mr. Regan for not properly advising the president and allowing the arms deal to develop without the knowledge of members of the cabinet, including Secretary of State George Shultz.

But Speakes described as "wrong" a report that three cabinet members had threatened to quit if Mr. Regan did not go. | government.

# Gemayel to visit Jordan

BEIRUT (R) - President Amin Gemayel will visit Jordan, France and Belgium next month for talks on Lebanese and international developments, official sources said Saturday.

They said Mr. Gemayel would go to Jordan on Feb. 4 for a three-day visit at the invitation of His Majesty King Hussein. On Feb. 17, the Lebanese lead-

er will visit Paris at the invitation of President François Mitterrand and Prime Minister Jacques Chirac and will later go to Belgium to discuss Lebanese and regional developments.

Mr. Gemayel returned to Beirut from Kuwait on Friday where he attended the Organisation of Islamic Conference Summit and met Syrian President Hafez Al Assad for the first time in more than a year.

After a year-long estrangement, the two leaders pledged to work togther in renewed efforts to end the 11-year civil war.

### Ethiopians to vote for new \* constitution

ADDIS ABABA (R) - About 20 million Ethiopians vote Sunday on a new constitution which will make Ethiopia a People's Democratic Republic led by a vanguard Worker's Party on the classical Marxist model.

The electorate have from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to vote "Yes" or "No" at 25,000 polling stations, some of them three days' walk from the nearest administrative

In remote rural areas election officers will carry the ballot papers to the counting station in canvas saddlebags by horse or donkey, officials said.

The provisional military government, in power since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1974, is billing the referendum as a turning-point in the transformation of Ethiopia from pre-revolutionary feudalism to "democratic centralism" and popular participation in

### TV & RADIO

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# WHAT'S GOING ON

"On Sunday, February 1, at 11:00 a.m., in an interview with Paul Anka, Radio Jordan will insugurate a new radio feature: "Stars by Satellite". A joint venture between Radio Jordan and the venture between Radio Jordan and the American Cultural Centre, Stars by Satellite will present a series of interviews using a satellite link-up between Radio Jordan and well-known American entertainers and

WESTERN FOLK AND

FILM WEEK The American Centre is presenting a Western Folk art exhibition and Western film festival at the Royal Cultural Centre. The folk art exhibition runs through Feb. 10. The film festival runs through Feb. 5. Tonight's film: "Gunfight at the OK Corral" at 7:30

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# **TODAY'S EVENTS**

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A painting exhibition by Saleh Abu Shindi at the Petra Bank Gallery — Wadi Segra (until Feb. 5).

STARS BY SATELLITE

Folklore Museum: Jewelry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre. Amman. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

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collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim nuntries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntzzah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 420128 630128.

Martyrs' Memorial (Military Moseum): Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 am. 4 pm. Closed Saturdays. Tel.

## CHURCHES

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### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### King sends sympathy to Khalaf family

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein on Saturday delegated Dr. Bassam Al Saket, the secretary general of the Royal Court, to convey his condolences to the Khalaf family on the death of Mohammad Khalaf, a former minister who passed away in Amman on Thursday. The late Mr. Khalaf had held several government posts.

#### Crown Prince condoles Atallah family

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan has delegated Dr. Bassam Al Saket, the Royal Court's secretary general, to convey the Crown Prince's condolences to the family of Mr. Anton Atallah who died in Amman on Tuesday, Mr. Atallah, who was 90 years old, had served in a number of ministerial and other important posts.

#### Students return to school, college

AMMAN (J.T.) — Schools, community colleges and universities re-opened on Saturday for the second term of the current 1986/87 scholastic year. The second term, which ends towards the end of May, will be followed by a 20-day holiday for all educational institutions in the Kingdom.

#### Ramtha graduates People's Army cadets

RAMTHA (Petra) - A new batch of People's Army recruits graduated in Ramtha on Saturday after completing a training course in the use of light arms and rescue and first-aid operations. The trainees also received practical training in the field and were lectured on warfare and the use of various types of arms. The graduation ceremony was attended by a number of

#### JCFC to run centre in S. Arabia

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan Cement Factories Company (JCFC) Director General Khaldoun Al Thaher returned from Saudi Arabia on Saturday after attending the opening of a cement training centre in Sandi Arabia. The centre was set up under an agreement signed recently between the JCFC and the Saudi company for services, maintenance and commissioning. Under the agreement, JCFC will run the centre and provide it with specialised technicians to train Sandi cadres.

#### AMPCO board reviews operations

AMMAN (Petra) — The Agricultural Marketing and Processing Company of Jordan (AMPCO) board of directors on Saturday discussed a number of measures and plans to develop marketing and processing operations. The board also discussed future agreements to supply Arab and European markets in the light of past experiences. The company's achievements and the opening of new markets were also reviewed during Saturday's

## Delegation returns from talks on Arab food production

AMMAN (Petra)  $\frac{3}{1}$  A two-member Jordanian delegation reduction of cereals and it re-

in the United Arab Emirates.

Mr. Samir Hattab from the Ministry of Supply and Mr. Suleiman Rousan from Amman Municipality said that the seven-day seminar discussed a number of working papers presented by several Arab representatives on problems in the Arab food processing industry and in agricultu-

ral production. The seminar recommended

turned to Amman on Saturday quested help from specialised after taking part in a seminar on Arab organisations to help imple-Arab food security held recently ment agricultural projects and market products. The seminar also called on Arab states to help achieve integration among Arab countries in food production, they said.

According to the delegation, the seminar approved Jordan's proposals calling for measures to protect Arab food industries through raising customs duty on foreign-made products and en-couraging locally produced food commodities.

ques Chirac would meet next Wednesday with Mr. Perez de

Cuellar to discus the secretary-

In a communique, it said France welcomed the initiative

"and intends to contribute active-

ly to the discussions on the sub-

Saying that events in recent

weeks in the war "highlighted its

tragic and devastating character,"

the ministry said the French gov-

ernment "has not ceased and will

not cease to encourage all the

initiatives aimed at ending this

General Khairallah said Satur-

day: "Iraqi forces fought unique

battles in the history of wars

which continued day and night,

from one position to another,

He said units of the elite Pres-

gunships and concentrated artil-

Baghdad Television and radio

stations played martial music and

patriotic songs for about three

hours before the announcement.

until the enemy collapsed."

general's new peace initiative.

### Iraq reports retaking territory

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that more attention be given to

steam tanker La Dya which was hit near the Iranian oil terminal of Kharg Island. In another development, Iran has again rejected U.N. offers to

mediate an end to the war. At a U.N. press conference last week, Iranian Ambassador Said Rajae Khorassani said international diplomacy must wait until

the fall of the Iraqi government.
"These good ideas of the secretary general have nothing to do with the fall of Saddam Hussein," Khorassani said. "We will consider these ideas in a very friendly and constructive manner. But any negotiation, or any ceasefire or any settlement will follow the fall of President Hussein's regime. That is our position."

In a speech at the Jan. 26 Islamic summit in Kuwait, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar suggested both countries "cut the knot" and submit to the findings of an ad hoc impartial body that would examine the questions of the initiation of the

In Paris, the French Foreign Ministry said French Premier Jac-

### Junblatt offers himself as 'hostage'

(Continued from page 1) The independent An Nahar newspaper said on Wednesday that a Shi'ite Muslim physician and former cabinet minister was acting as a link between Mr.

Nine foreigners have been abducted in west Beirut since Mr. Waite arrived on his latest bid to free kidnap victims, particularly journalist Terry Anderson and university agriculture Dean Thomas Sutherland, both Americans.

Waite and the kidnappers.

In Tunis, a leading Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) official was quoted as saying on Saturday that Mr. Waite was "free to move and is not de-

Salah Khalaf, head of the

PLO's intelligence service, was quoted by the French news agency Agence France-Presse as saying Mr. Waite had been seen "walking freely" two days ago in

Lebanon's Bekaa Valley. He claimed that contrary to other reports, Mr. Waite was not being detained by the pro-Iranian

Hezbollah group.

Meanwhile, three Americans. two men and a woman, evacuated west Beirut on Saturday.

The three, escorted Lebanese policemen, crossed the dividing green line.

Washington has ordered all Americans out of Lebanon and barred its nationals from travelling to the country on U.S. pass-

# Sharif Zaid opens course for officers

AMMAN (Petra) - Armed Commander-in-Chief General Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker on Saturday opened a new training course for army officers at the Royal Command and Staff Academy.

In an address at the opening Gen. Sharif Zaid said that the Jordanian Armed Forces are continually being equipped with the most up to date weapons and military hardware to enable them to handle external dangers and to enhance the country's stability and security.

The Armed Forces of Arab states cannot be strengthened and will not be developed unless they are provided with efficient and highly qualified officers, Gen. Sharif Zaid continued. He also welcomed the presence of a number of army officers from other Arab countries who will be participating in the course. Among those attending the

opening ceremony were Army Chief of Staff Fathi Abu Taleb and senior army officers.

re-appoints

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Arab

Organisation for Agricultural Development (AOAD) has re-

appointed Dr. Hassan Fahmi, Jum'a as AOAD's director gener-

al for another four-year term. A

statement issued by the Baghdad-

based AOAD said that the re-

appointment was in recognition

of Dr. Jum'a's efforts and ser-

vices and his endeavours to bols-

ters inter-Arab cooperation and

The statement said that the

decision to re-appoint Dr. Jum'a

to the post was taken by the

organisation's 16th session which

ended in Baghdad on Jan. 28. Dr.

Jum'a has been serving as

AOAD's director general since

The AOAD's meeting which

started on Jan. 26, endorsed a proposal for establishing green

belts to counter desertification

and entrusted the organisation's

general secretariat to approach

Arab and international organisa-

Agriculture Marwan Hmoud who

Mr. Hmoud added that the

board also approved executive

cooperation with other organisations, bodies and funds.

The board called on all member

states and Arab funds and

organisations to rely on the

organisation in carrying out studies in the agricultural field, he

added. The board also

recommended that the

organisation's general secretariat

follow up on recommendations

issued by the Arab Economic and

Social Council on a draft project

for Arab agricultural coordination

attended the meeting.

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Jum'a as

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**AOAD** 



unander in Chief of the Jordanian Armed Forces General Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker Saturday addresses a group of Jordanian and Arab officers starting a training course at the staff and command

# VOA journalist explains brief detention in Syria

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — A local journalist. who was briefly detained in Damascus on Jan. 11, on Saturday attributed his detention by the Syrian authorities "to an apparent misunderstanding."

Mr. Mohammad Ghuneim, director of the Voice of America (VOA) regional officer in Amman, did not believe that his ten-hour detention in Damascus had any other implications. The VOA correspondent was seeking to hold contacts and arrange meetings with Syrian officials when he was arrested at the airport upon arrival. The Syrian authorities interrogated Mr. Ghuneim and kept him incommunicado before he was set free. Mr. Ghuneim told the Jordan Times that he conducted a series

of meetings with Syrian officials

my five-day stay in Damascus, I

was also looking for a stringer to freelance for the VOA," Mr. Ghuneim said in a telephone in-

Last time Mr. Ghuneim visited Damascus was in 1982. Before then Mr. Ghuneim's assignment for VOA also covered Lebanon and he was a frequent visitor to the Syrian capital.

Reports reaching here from Washington said the State Department issued a brief statement following Mr. Ghuneim's detention, saying that the U.S., calling the incident "unacceptable," had protested to the Syrian govern-

"Our position on freedom of the press is well known, and we consider the detention of Mr. Ghuneim unacceptable," the statement said. The reports quoted U.S. officials as saying that the U.S. had received an after he was released. "During apology from the Syrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

# JEA completes first stage of $\vee$ electricity training centre

siens to finance the project and to specify their financial commit-ments towards executing the scheme, according to Minister of establishment of a regional training centre specialised in power systems. The centre is being set steps taken by the organisation to | up in Jordan in cooperation with implement a number of projects in Adel Mar'i, director of the JEA's engineering department.

> He said that the centre, to be formally opened towards the end of this year, will provide the country with skilled manpower who will be employed in JEA's man. The trained staff, he said, will be in charge of power gener-

AMMAN (Petra) — The Jordan to help take jobs up in the elec--Electricity Authority (JEA) has tricity sector in Jordan's other completed the first stage for the concerns and in business abroad, Mr. Mar'i added.

He said that the new centre. which will have a capacity of 200 a Japanese firm, according to Mr. trainees annually, will offer training courses to technicians from local electricity companies to improve their skills and efficiency. The Japanese company, he added, will provide help to JEA's centre from now until 1991 by supplying technical assistance and projects, mainly in Irbid and Am- equipment for training and maintenance and also by supervising training work. He said that ating and power distribution op- a number of JEA staff and technierations. The trained staff and cians will be dispatched to Japan technicians will also be qualified to receive training as instructors.

# Exciting, accessible fashion from Iraq

By Meg Abu Hamdan Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Iraqi dress designer Suha Al Bakri and Iraqi ceramicist Nuha Al Radi have teamed up together to produce a collection of clothes to be shown in Amman this week that are excitingly different and totally enticing. Although only in operation for a year, the Baghdadbased couple, with this their fifth collection, have been quickly successful. The reason for their appeal? A range of witty, accessible clothes that are a clever mixture of current Western fashion with traditional Iraqi designs made totally out of Iraqi fabrics. "Tasmeen," the name given to the couple's arty shop and workidential Guards had joined other troops in the fighting, with sup-port from warplanes, helicopter shop, has been invited to display its creations in a fashion show at the Jordan Intercontinental Hotel on Feb. 4 by the Thathmon charity organisation. The Amman audience will then be able to see and buy models already featured in such magazines as "Marie Claire", as well as their latest

### Goat hair abayat

Perhaps the most spectacular of these pieces will be the pure goat hair "Abayat." The fabric known as "Shan'w Shabak" with its fabulous weight and shot silklike sheen is made only in the. northern Iragi towns of Dohok, Arbil, and Mosul. Decorated with lines of stitching in rainbow hues these abayat will enhance any costume worn beneath them. Another very ethnic piece is the Kurdish jacket the design of which stems from the town of Hilla. Made in a patchwork of bright silks and satins, Mrs. Bakri has slightly altered the original design to make it more comfortable and easier to wear without printed with silk screen designs.



Goat hair abayat with lines of stitching in rainbow hoes - designed by Suha Al Bakri and Nuha Al Radi.

losing any of its hush exoticness. The "Tasmeen" adaptation of the traditional dish-dash is also unusual. Made in a lovely wool/ cotton mix check, the garments are decorated with contrasting squares of silk and satin which gives them a touch of joie de vivre and fun.

The wonderful heavy cotton the couple have used in their sport and beach wear is made in the town of Kut. Normally the fabric is used for the manufacture of more traditional garments such as yests but in the hands of Mrs. Bakri it has been transformed. Dyed in a range of bright, bold colours, the baggy T-shirts and shorts are then individually

Also from Kut come the knitted fabrics the couple have made into exceptionally attractive suits. The baggy sweaters and straight skirts come in an exciting range of colours that run through yellow, emerald, burgundy, black and petrol.

Colour is in fact one of the most important aspects of the Tasmeen collection for as Mrs. Radi told the Jordan Times, one of their aims was to introduce more colour into Iraqi fashion. Asked whether they had considered expanding and exporting their clothes, Mrs. Radi summed up: "At the moment, we are just a small arty concern, not doing much of any one line. That way we always keep our look fresh and

# New entry and registration procedures for foreigners go into effect today to follow these procedures but to

AMMAN (Petra) — A new set of regulations issued by the Public Security Department (PSD) governing the entry and registration of Arabs and foreigners in the Kingdom go into effect Sunday according to a PSD announcement on Saturday.

The announcement said that, the country. However, visitors to organise the entry, registration and departure of Arabs and foreprovide accurate data about them save time and effort for all non-Jordanian residents in the Kingdom.

According to the new regulations, the following procedures will be followed from now on: First — All border posts will assume the responsibility of issuing a two-week residence permit to non-Jordanians arriving in from acquiring visas will not have more than two weeks.

the new regulations are designed wishing to prolong their stay must report to security centres in the Kingdom to obtain a three-month igners from and to Jordan and to permit. Visitors from countries whose nationals do not require and are also being introduced to prior approval from the Ministry of Interior are also subject to these new regulations. Second — Visitors to Jordan from countries whose nationals

are required to have prior Ministry of Interior approval will have

nearest police station regularly throughout their stay in the Kingdom. These cards will have to be returned to border posts upon their departure from the Kingdom. Those who violate the regulations will be prosecuted. Fourth - Visitors in the country before these regulations were issued should take steps to rectify their situation within two months. Fifth - Nationals who are ex-

facilitate organisational matters

they will be issued special cards

which they have to produce at the

empted from visas or those whose entry does not require prior Ministry of Interior approval should report to police stations in to be referred to the PSD's aliens two weeks time to have their names and addresses registered if Third — Those who are exempt they wish to stay in Jordan for

# Participants discuss wide-ranging aspects of educational systems

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Jordanian educationalists, parliamentarians and intellectuals on Saturday questioned whether it was possible to democratise the education system. in Third World countries and stressed that an answer to this query could be possible if institutionalised democracy starts at schools and eventually spreads to

the home and society.

This query surfaced during a two-day seminar entitled "The School We Want," which opened here to discuss wide-ranging issues including educational goals, democracy in education, secondary education and the roles of teachers in the educational process,

The Arab Women Graduates Club (AWGC) organised the event which was opened by Minister of Education Thoukan Al Hindawi who described the seminar's theme as "a national cause" which should be determined and discussed by all people at all levels.

Mr. Hindawi said that defining the school we want was a "need to confront the challenges imposed on the region from the threats of separatism, backwardzess, colonialism, Zionism and "the new emerging enemy approaching from the eastern gate," referring to Iran and its aggression against Iraq.

The discussions of Saturday's day-long session were based on two-working papers submitted to the meeting and tackling "Educational goals; a disparity in theory and practice" and "Democracy and the educational process. The first paper was prepared by Dr. Munther Al Masri, the director general of the Vocational Training Centre (VTC), and the second research was jointly prepared by Dr. Fawzi Shaker Al Touaimeh, Member of the Lower House of Parliament, and Dr. Ali Mahafza, the president of Mu'ta University.

The gathering actively sponded to ideas in these two working papers and the majority of remarks focused on how to

challenges, the moulding process of the individual and the group, the relationship between schools, the family and society and the role of socio-economic and political policies and situations vis-avis education.

However, the issue of institutionalised democracy and educaeducation system were two issues to get the bulk of attention during Saturday's morning and evening

The majority of participants as well as lecturers questioned the possibility of democratising the educational system and policies in the absence of general institutionalised democracy in the country.

Mrs. Laila Sharaf, a former information minister and a strong supporter of democracy said: There are no democratic institutions to protect the democratic individual. Therefore, I am one of those who insist that democracy should be tackled at school, from where it can spread to the family and the society, eventually enlarging the base of institu-tionalised democracy."

Allowing future Arab generations to practise their basic rights as guaranteed by the constitution the only mean to assure that the region's future generations will be responsible, aware and patriotic, said a participant at the

"There are various indicators of countries which suffered from backwardness due to an absence of both democracy and scientific research which should be given attention in the early years of school," said a school teacher attending the seminar.

The issue of giving priority to educational goals should be based on the socio-economic situation of the country was another point raised during the discussions. 'Any clear educational goals should be directly linked to defining the man we need and the society we want," said Mr. Omar Al Sheikh from the University of

Jordan. Dr. Sheikh questioned the large.

provide an educational infrastruc- sources to which the concerned ture capable of meeting future authorities should refer in a bid to achieve educational goals and said: "Should the definition of these goals be held hostage to the socio-political authorities?"

Dr. Mahafza in his paper defined three types of social orders; the authoritarian, democratic and the undecisive and said that the educational system in any country tion and ways to democratise the is directly linked to the pattern of its social order. "Any attempt to democratise education in a totalitarian country will create schitzophrenic confusion among the teachers and the educated due to the wide gap between what they learn in theory and what they can implement in practice," said Dr.

> He stressed that the nature of the educational system is a means to maintain stability and continuity as well as it being a tool for social, political and economic developments. "On numerous occasions, the socio-economic and political developments were preceded by refurbishments in the educational system and created wide gaps between development needs and the capability of the educational system to cope with these changes," asserted Dr.

Dr. Touaimeh, who is also a versity of Jordan, said that despite modern socio-economic changes, many Arab countries still retain certain characteristics which he said were: "suspending the works of political and popular activities, suppressing the citizen's freedom, freezing and brain-washing his intellect, boosting individualism and feeding the individual with media information which does not respect his thought and intellect but which rather seeks to serve the interests of the execu-

Dr. Touaimeh, an active parliamentarian, suggested that the only way to take the citizen out of this crisis was to provide tools which could remove such "characteristics," from the individual's early years of life, starting from school via family to the society at

tive authority.

# Needy students receive help through contributions to one piastre fund

By Najwa Najjar Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN - Proceeds from the 'one piastre a day" campaign have been distributed among under privileged students to help finance their education, according to Mr. Fakhri Bilbeisi, the vice president of the General Union of

Voluntary Societies (GUVS).

Over the past year, GUVS has placed wooden boxes on the premises of hotels, banks, schools, pharmacies, shops and in other public places with the hope of collecting one piastre from each person per day. When the project was initiated in early 1986, only 50 boxes were spread around the city. This figure has now risen to over 800 with the aim of distributing another 400 in the coming months, said Mr. Bilbeisi.

Once a month the boxes are emptied and the money is deposited into special accounts in one of the five banks chosen by GUVS. According to Mr. Bilbeisi, JD 20,000 have been gathered through this collection box system. An additional JD 10,000 were donated to the project on mostly an individual basis. "We asked for donations through pamphiets and letters," he said, and the media was helpful in calling for contributions to this

To help students finance their education. GUVS offered a said Mr. Bilbeiri. further JD 40,000 to the scheme.

"The 70,000 was used to pay conducted by the 15 member tuition fees for 200 committee in charge of the project underprivileged students for the to assess the one pinstre a day duration of their studies in either universities or community colleges," said Mr. Bilbeisi. He noted that community colleges have been especially supportive by reducing their fees 25 to 35 per cent for students involved in this programme.

The money is given as an interest free loan which the student must repay after graduation. Mr. Bilbeisi said the reason for repayment is to generate income for other underprivileged students in the future. Any low income student with an average of 80 or above in his or her tawjihi exams may apply for the loan as long as there is a

### Schools

Students in schools were also helped by the piastre a day fund. There are many tawjihi students who can not even pay the JD 10 exam fee required of them, said Mr. Bilbeisi. "Last year J D 10,000 was distributed among 1,000 tawjihi students all over the Kingdom," he continued. Most schools were able to use the donations they collected from the schools during 1985 was JD 400,

Last month, a study was continue.

campaign. The committee, which is made up of 10 volunteers and five GUVS members, decided that in the future priority would be given to students entering

### Plans for expansion

They plan to expand the programme into the different governorates of the Kingdom. "For the time being, the project is" concentrated in the Amman area," said Mr. Bilbeisi, "and we want to further promote it." Also in the future, GUVS plans to use the postal system to distribute the pamphlets describing the project and asking for donations.

In an earlier interview Mr. Bilbeisi said that "the idea of the project is to educate adults and children to participate, thereby developing a feeling of wanting to belp their society. "All those who wish to participate can without being burdened since the sum is only one piastre, he said. For this purpose, schools are given special attention and most of the boxes can be found in schools. He concluded by saying that "it is too soon to judge the programme but boxes on their premises. The there are many signs of average amount collected at encouragement among children and adults. I think the spirit of wanting to help another will

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By Dr. Fahed Fanek

### Where will it end?

PRESIDENT Ronald Reagan's state of the union address last Tuesday night was a rhetorical tour de force; if only it bore some resemblance to reality. It is difficult to know where to begin discussing such a gold mine of grandiloquence. Perhaps a subject close to home would be best — the Iran arms scandal.

For those who expected a full explanation of the arms dealings with Iran - its origins, purposes, and his role in the proceedings President Reagan's speech was a definite disappointment. Instead, all President Reagan could muster was a bland statement of guilt: "But though we have made progress, I have one major regret. I took a risk with regard to our action in Iran. It did not work, and for that I assume full responsibility." Thank you, Mr. Reagan, for such a gracious admission. Never mind that the testimonies of some of your key advisers, especially former national security adviser and arms messenger Robert McFarlane, have already confirmed your involvement and approval. And, it might well be noted that you've accepted responsibility for its failure, not its conception and implementation. Rather, President Reagan called the goals of the deal worthy: "I do not believe it was wrong to try to establish contacts with a country

of strategic importance or to try to save lives. And certainly it was not wrong to try to secure freedom for our citizens held in barbaric captivity." To this the U.S. president received a round of applause from Congress. Yes indeed, let us all appland such a skillful 180 degree pirouette, more graceful than any ballerina. Never mind that he and his administration have been denying that time arms were in exchange for hostages. Oh well, it sounded good.

But wait, there's more. President Reagan went on to say: "And let

there be no mistake about American policy: We will not sit idly by if our interests or our friends in the Middle East are threatened, nor will we yield to terrorist blackmail." Now, either President Reagan is a master of irony, or ignorant; take your pick. How in heaven's name can selling arms to Iran, which refuses to consider an end to the Iran-Iraq war and which sponsors groups in Lebanon who are taking American hostages, (four more last week), be promoting the interests of America's friends in the Middle East and standing tall against terrorism? One can only imagine how many nights the White House communications department spends coming up with this

But, President Reagan appears to say these things with such sincerity that you just want to believe him. He's such a nice guy! Well, nice guy or not, he has done severe damage to U.S. credibility in the Middle East. He has put American friends in the area in an extremely embarrassing and potentially dangerous position; every friend, that is, but one — Israel. In fact, according to all indications, Israel played a major part in initiating the arms deal and served as middle man for a number of the arms transfers. So, now we know

which "friends" President Reagan was talking about.

In his address, President Reagan has highlighted, in his own words, how one-sided, short-signted, and confused his policy is towards the Middle East. Having all but written off the plight of the to a country that is not only sponsoring international terrorism but also continuing to undermine peace and stability through armed conflict in this part of the world. With the Iranians boycotting the Islamic summit, refusing any attempt at mediation in the Gulf war, and threatening the Iraqi city of Basra, it is barely believable that President Reagan could say, in reference to his "risk" of selling arms to the Iranians, that the U.S. should not be afraid "to take risk that could further the course of space and further in the course of space and sp that could further the cause of peace and freedom in the world." But he did say just that, and we wonder where it will all end.

### ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

### Al Ra'i: The other side of the summit

IN addition to the important political decisions adopted by the fifth Islamic summit in Kuwait, the leaders of Islamic nations passed a number of economic, scientific and cultural resolutions equal in importance to their political decisions. The summit called on rich countries of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) to extend assistance in scientific and cultural fields to less developed member states, and to launch closer cooperation within OIC towards achieving further economic progress. The conference decided to hold a meeting of OIC's ministers of information for the same of drawing up an Islamic information strategy. The conference also resolved to give support and aid to various organisations affiliated to the Islamic organisation. Jordan has always called on summit meetings for a wider scope of cooperation involving scientific, technical and economic cooperation in addition to political coordination. The Arabs and Muslims ought to have closer cooperation in all these fields if they really wish to achieve their aspired goals and attain prosperity. We are relieved to see the conference adopting Jordan's views in this regard, and we hope that the OIC member nations will put the decisions into practice and launch cooperation among them in all fields. We are hopeful that this will happen since OIC member nations possess vast human and material resources for that purpose, and also for working together in concert to achieve stability, justice and peace.

## Al Dustour: Is Hawke changing heart?

AUSTRALIA'S Prime Minister Bob Hawke, now on a tour of the Middle East, was reported to have made statements in occupied Jerusalem completely reversing his former stand with regard to the Middle East question and Australia's traditional position towards Israel. Hawke was to date one of the most ardent supporters of Israel, and so he was not expected to say anything contrary to that particular stand. The Israelis were apparently taken aback by these. statements in which he said he now understands the Arab countries' point of view with regard to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Of course his statements could not have been made before visiting Jordan where he met with King Hussein and learnt all about the Palestine problem and Jordanian views about the establishment of a just and lasting peace. Despite Hawke's unwavering support for Israel in the past, and regardless of Australia's distant location away from the Middle East, the prime minister was quite frank about his own views and those of his government about the situation in this troubled part of the world. What is surprising is the fact that certain European countries which are quite close to this region have failed so far to take a similar constructive attitude. If anything, some Europeans seem now to be retreating from their former position in support of the Arab causes, and even drawing away from the 1980 Venice Declaration on the Middle East question. We appreciate Mr. Hawke's statements in which he voiced his support for the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination, and kope that Western nations would follow his example.

# Sunday's Economic Pulse

# Jordan's economic recession: Symptoms and remedy

IN a lecture delivered at the World Affairs Council last Tuesday, Dr. Khalil Al Salem concluded that he was optimistic over Jordan's economic future, but not before giving all the reasons for being

The main thrust of Dr. Salem's lecture was that in order to deal with the present economic slow down, we have to rationalise our fiscal policy, reduce public expenditure and close or narrow the badget deficit.

Dr. Salem an ex-governor of the Central Bank, ex-finance minister and Senate member, was so eloquent in pinpointing the flaws in the financial behaviour of successive Jordanian governments: Huge ill-planned investments such as the south cement factory which cost \$400 million; unnecessary white elephants like Yarmouk engineering building at a cost of JD 55 million; borrowing cheap money from the Central Bank; treating external borrowing as revenue and declaring surpluses at the end of fiscal years.

The lecturer, while not neglecting other issues and cures, stressed that the most pressing challenge facing the management of the economy is to put its financial house in order and to adopt and implement an adjustment and belt-tightening programme.

We wholeheartedly agree with Dr. Salem's point of view. because most of our problems and risks stem from this source,

including, of course, the deficit in the balance of payments and the

pressure on foreign exchange. However, while Dr. Salem's prescription could be the cure for many weak points in the economy it may be counter-productive as a cure for econômic recession, at least in the short term. In fact Dr. Salem presented his formula as a medicine for recession.

To put it in other words, the prescription is quite correct but the ailment is not merely recession but rather the imbalances and the risks entailed which the lecturer had in mind. A reasonable dose of recession might be needed to reduce imports, maintain reserves, and induce more savings.

In fact Minister of Planning, Dr. Taher Kana'an, capitalised on this point when he asked if the reduction in public expenditure would help in re-activating the under utilised production capacity citing the construction sector as an example.

Mr. Basel Jardaneh, a banker, supported the minister and carried the argument one step further by asserting that deficit in itself is not always bad. It is the public consumption expenditure that should be curbed, while the government capital formation should be welcome, even at the expense of more public expenditure and deficit financing. Dr. Salem agreed to Mr. Jardaneh's

argument, at least in part.

Of course there is a difference between capital expenditure and consumption expenditure. The deficit resulting from good invest-

ment is no doubt far better than that arising from unnecessary consumption. But, and that is a big but, there is no guarantee that government investments will be good, especially when they are nanced by foreign loans or from the savings of the private sector. More important, once the government is allowed to expand

borrowing and spend more, it is more likely that it will spend more on consumption. The government, any government, is a political animal. It has all the political incentives to spend on consumption under the pressure of special interest groups: more jobs, more services, more subsidies etc. No group is pressuring the government to invest, or for that matter, to make good judgment in choosing investment areas.

Hence Mr. Jardaneh's argument is quite neat and convincing on paper. In real life however, deficit and loans go hand in hand with more public consumption expenditure. The Jordanian government's record on this point is abundantly clear.

Finally, one has to point out that most of the facts and arguments put forward by the lecturer could be " taken for granted" and labeled as "obvious" in an advanced country or among specialists. Yet the obvious nature of economic facts and arguments is no guarantee that they will be accepted or implemented. Unfortunately in most Third World countries the flaws continue until they reach the point of crisis.

### What are the U.S. military options in Gulf?

By Christopher Hanson

WASHINGTON — The United States has moved warships closer to the Iran-Iraq war zone and has refused to rule out armed action against hostage-takers in Lebanon, but experts say American military options in the region are limited, fraught with peril, and could backfire.

Private Middle East analysts said the ship movements probably amounted to a demonstration rather than an intention to use force and that Washington was unlikely to take steps to prevent Iranian war advances. If America did intervene, they said, it could drive Iran into the

And if Washington retaliate against perpetrators of a recent spate of abductions in Lebanon as urged by key members of Congress — it would risk hitting the wrong targets, sparking revenge killings of more hostages and bolstering radicals in the region, experts said.
"A military response is highly

unfeasible," said Harlan Ullman, a Middle East analyst at the centre for Strategic and Interna-tional Studies (CSIS), a private research organisation.

Washington has sent five warships into the northern Gulf in a show of support for friendly Arab states after recent Iranian advances in its war with Iraq, and positioned an aircraft carrier closer to Lebanon.

carrier John F. Kennedy in the committee - have backed a home next month, and has ordered a third carrier, the Kitty Hawk, to move quickly from the Philippines to the northern Arabian Sea.

Washington has long feared an Iranian victory could spread anti-Western Islamic fundamentalism through the Middle East.

Secretary of State George Shultz said last week: "We have repeatedly warned Iran that any extension of the conflict would be regarded as a major threat to U.S. interests."

But Joyce Starr, director of CSIS's Near East programme, said in an interview: "On a scale of zero to 10, the chances of U.S. military action are zero --- we're paper tigers ... all bluster, and the Iranians know it."

She said the Reagan administration's controversial policy of selling arms to Iran had opened a pandora's box, encouraging others to supply weaponry and giving Tehran a psychological boost in its debilitating six-yearold war with Iraq.

The Reagan administration officially observes a policy of neutrality in the conflict, but critics have charged this has been compromised by the secret Iran arms deal, which has enraged the U.S. public and ignited Reagan's greatest crisis.

Starr and other analysts doubted the United States would intervene in the war unless Iran directly theatened oil-rich Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, which they said was unlikely.

They said such a direct threat was improbable and that even if Iranian troops took the Iraqi city of Basra in their latest offensive the war would drag on.

Should Washington be drawn into conflict with Iran, it could risk a serious superpower confrontation, as Iran shares a border with the Soviet Union, other analysts said.

Robert Hunter, who was a foreign policy adviser for President Jimmy Carter, said "If the United States uses military force against Iran, you can expect the Soviet Union to use military force to secure a chunk of northern.

Another risk would be that U.S. intervention would lead to factional fighting in Iran — which Hunter termed "the overwhelming strategic prize in the region"
— and a new Tehran government that looked to Moscow for pro-

Key members of Congress including Democratic Rhode Island senator Claiborne Pell. It has also decided to keep the chairman of the foreign relations military resdon responsible for seizing U.S. hostages in Lebanon. The White House says it will not rule out use of force.

Four professors, three of them Americans, were kidnapped in Beirut last week, bringing to eight the number of Americans known to be held hostage in Lebanon by militant groups.

A radical Islamic group calling itself the "Organisation of the Oppressed on Earth" has claimed responsibility for the kidnappings and has threatened to kill a hostage unless a Lebanese held on hijacking charges in West dermany is freed.

Some congressmen have called for attacks on any nations shown to have sponsored the kidnappings, saying Iran and Syria are

But any military action ran the risk of reprisals against other hostages or other American targets, according to William Quandt, a foreign policy specialist at the private Brookings In-

# Sudan's uncertain balancing act

Andrew Buckoke, reporting from Khartoum, looks at Sudan's efforts towards constitutional reform designed to meld the country's diverse population and a debt repayment problem that won't

KHARTOUM — It is hard to believe that Khartoum is the capital of Sudan, a country suffering from the ravages of civil war, the after-effects of famine and more than \$13 billion debt. Its income from export last year is expected to be about \$250 mil-

There are almost continuous traffic jams on largely potholefree roads, a lot of new buildings, plenty of good bread, video librafies and a reasonable selection of imported consumer goods, while the black market offers a premium of less than 20 per cent on official exchange rates.

This is partly the result of scarce resources being diverted to keep the townspeople happy their strikes and demonstrations were the main instrument in the downfall of President Jaafar Numeiri in 1985. But it also illustrates the success of Mr. Sadiq el-Mahdi's government, elected last April after a year of transitional military government, in attracting foreign aid despite the huge existing debt.

servative Arab states, led by the U.S. and Saudi Arabia, to keep Egypt's strategic neighbour free of Marxism. Islamic fun-Marxism, Islamic fundamentalism and the clutches of Lihva and Ethiopia has overcome their reluctance to provide further assistance to a country which has no intention or ability to come to terms with the International Monetary Fund, to which it

The desire of Western and con-

service its existing debt. Dr. Bashir Omer, the Finance now probably the only places in ign interference."

Minister, in his June budget liSudan threatened by large-scale The main obstact

is \$400 million in arrears, or

mited debt service payments to \$208 million or 25 per cent of the amount due. His long-term solution to "the enormous volume of our economic problems" relies upon donors writing off or rescheduling their loans.

While the aid, particularly free oil from Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, is keeping the country moving, Western diplomats fear that official price fixing for basic commodities, restrictions on imports, the overvaluation of the Sudanese pound and the general interventionist tendency of the government may strangle any re-

But it would be political suicide to give free rein to the merchants' traditional pursuits of hoarding, speculation and price fixing. Inflation is already about 50 per cent and the November student demonstrations in Khartoum sought — this time without success -- to take political advantage of the shortages and high prices of meat and sugar, caused by the merchants' refusal to sell at offi-

Though most people in the Muslim, Arabic-speaking north ignore the three-year-old war against the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA) in the Christian and animist African south, its resolution remains the key to Sudan's development.

Juba, Malakal and Wan contine the SPLA demonstrates its indeto be irregularly blockaded. Although military aircraft, riv-

er barges and truck convoys take place, and has blamed the periodically get through, they are continuation of the war on "fore-

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starvation. Information on the hinterland is sketchy, but the rains have been good.

The Americans, Kenyans and others are pressing both sides to resume negotiation — broken off when a civilian ariline was shot down by the SPLA in August under their mediation. Mr. Sadiq says he aims to push through a constitutional amendment diluting the effect of the Islamic sharia legal code, whose imposition by Mr. Numeiri in 1983 led to the resurgence of the civil war. However, both initiatives are fraught with uncertainty.

Though Mr. Sadiq is believed to accept the idea of mediation. other members of his government dismiss it. Foreign Minister Sharif el-Hindi says the SPLA are "outey to Sudan's development. laws and it is their problem to The southern garrison towns of find a solution." Mr. Sadiq insists pendence from Ethiopian control before "serious negotiations" can

The main obstacles are internal.

The key constitutional amendment proposed, that sharia be replaced by a combination of Islam, Christianity and other religious as the source of legislation, falls far short of the demands of both the SPLA and the southern parties within the government coalition.

At the same time, the Democratic Unionist Party, the biggest party in the coalition after his own Umma Party, has many members who might vote with the Islamic National Front, the party of the Muslim Brotherhood, which opposes any dilution of sharia and represents the most serious threat to the goverament within the northern Musim majority.

These are not the only complications. The war has an increasingly tribal character. The SPLA is mainly drawn from the Dinka majority in the south and the army has armed militias from the Nuer, Shilbuk and other tribes that fear Dinka domination to fight as its proxies. with the result of frequent atrocities and self-sustaining vendettas.

The immediate economic gains of a settlement would not be great. The huge digging machines for the Jonglei canal to drain the Suda swamplands and increase flows lower down the Nile bave been severely damaged. The scuthern oilfields around Bentiu would not be viable at an oil price of less than \$24 a barrel and Chevron, which has already spent over \$1 billion in Sudan, would probably not resume activities there even if the war

But a settlement is essential for the long-term stability and prosperity of Sudan. Mr. Sadiq has to balance the demands of the SPLA and the IMF before be can achieve the army might intervene at any time in the name of strong government - Financial Times news fea-

# Mubarak puts Egypt back on Arab map

By Kate Dourian Renter

KUWAIT - President Hosni Mubarak appears to have put Egypt back on the Arab political map with a series of private contacts at this week's Islamic summit in Knwait.

The fifth Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) summit provided Mubarak with a back door into the Arab heartland and the chance of a series of behindthe-scenes meetings with key Arab leaders.

Diplomats in Kuwait, which hosted the largest gathering of Islamic leaders since the OIC's inception 18 years ago, attached

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that King Fahd of Saudi Arabia Mubarak had said before leaving gave audience to Mubarak twice Cairo for Kuwait.

His statement proved propheWhile Mubarak's return to the Captured headlines in prepared texts when they address

Sadat's peace journey to Israel in 1977, it put Egypt one step closer to acceptability by the Arabs who shunned his predecessor.

Egypt was readmitted to the Organisation of Islamic Conference in 1984 after a five year suspension over its separate peace treaty with Israel, allowing Mubarak to lead his delegation to

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the four-day summit last week. "Summits are important even if they only succeed in breaking the

special significance to the fact ice between differing sides," and I would prefer not to.

Arab fold might lack the drama a hand-shaking encounter with of the late President Anwar Syrian President Hafez Al Assad, Egypt's most vociferous critic. With hands clasped, Mubarak

and Assad walked into the conference hall in the first conciliatory gesture the two political adversaries have made in public since they last shook hands four

"I have some things I want to discuss with you," Mubarak told Assad, who replied: "We have our principles, you know them

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Both men departed from their prepared texts when they addressed the same summit session, which did not lead to the expected showdown. There are a lot of things I

could say but I am not going to say them," were Mubarak's adlibbed opening remarks. They had a smiling Assad, whose name means lion in Arabic, joining in. the round of applause. Assad in turn toned down

attacks on Egypt, the only Arab state to have relations with Israel. "We were expecting a fiery Arab radical and instead got a gentlemanly professor," one de-legate said of the Syrian leader.

One immediate result of the brief encounter between the two men was a decision to send an Egyptian delegate to Damascus to discuss differences over Middle East politics, Egypt's semi-official Al Ahram, whose editor is

close to Mubarak, reported. Most Gulf Arab states have improved their relations with Egypt since the 1979 peace treaty with Israel, mainly through mutual support for Iraq in the

war against Iran. The conflict dominated the summit agenda, but with Iran boycotting the meeting, delegates failed to produce a new peace

formula to end the war. One delegate said Arab leaders had realised that Egypt's political weight was a necessary ingredient to resolving the conflict, now in

its seventh year. This also was the theme of an editorial in a leading Kuwaiti daily on Friday, lamenting

Egypt's absence from the Arab political scene and calling for a collective move by Arab states to restore ties to Egypt, severed in "The Arabs have finally real-

ised that they are paralysed without Egypt. They cannot make peace without Egypt. They can-not make war either," one senior delegate said.





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ish-born French Jew, was more successful, avoiding a French ex-

tradition warrant for the past 15 years. A businessman believed to

be worth \$100 million, Flatto-

Sharon was convicted in absentia

in France and sentenced to five

years in prison on charges of

Flatto-Sharon, elected in 1977

to Israel's Knesset, was shielded

by parliamentary immunity until

losing his seat in 1981. Last year

he was arrested in Italy on the

extradition warrant, but escaped

claimed his right to citizenship

under the law of return after the

February 1983 shooting of Abdu-

lai Hakkar, an Algerian-born Arab immigrant. The shooting occurred in Besancon, a town

near the French-Swiss border.

The French court ruled that the

The French government de-

manded Nakash's extradition in November 1983. A Besancon court convicted Nakash in absen-

tia of first-degree murder and sentenced him to life in prison in

Nakash's attorney, Roland Roth, claimed his client shot Hakkar

to protect Besancon's Jewish

community from increasing Arab

anti-Semitism. Roth argued in

court that Nakash would be killed

by vengeful Arab inmates if he

Justice Minister Avraham

Sharir agreed and refused to ex-

tradite Nakash, prompting the

appeal to the supreme court by the professors and left-wing par-

They contended that Nakash

poses a threat to society if

allowed to go free in Israel. His

opponents cited Nakash's deten-

tion on March 1985 in Israel on a

charge of armed robbery of a

Christian clergyman. The charge

Nakash subsequently became a

"born-again" Jew and has been

supported by the orthodox, in-

cluding Israel's two chief rabbis.

The rabbinate, whose rulings on

family matters have the force of

law in the Jewish state, issued a

ban on Nakash leaving the coun-

try because it would make his

wife, Rina, an abandoned woman

unable to have children or re-

returned to France.

liament members.

later was dropped.

May 1984.

shooting was part of a struggle for

control of Besancon's night clubs.

using a forged passport. Nakash, came to Israel and

fraud and tax evasion.

NEW YORK — After publishing magnate Samuel Newhouse bought the New Yorker in 1985 and introduced multi-page advertising inserts, the magazine ran a cartoon of a motorway sign warning of advertising supplements ahead.

No such good humour greeted the latest change, however, as Newhouse replaced the top editor

By Harmut Schergel

Sporing is a health hazard for

both snorer and those who have

to listen. Snoring is allegedly to

blame for one divorce in five. Cures include a DM500 device

invented by a dentist from

Viersen, near Dusseldorf in West

Germany. He is the latest inven-

HELGA FELLBACH, a 34-

year-old secretary, is a typical

victim. She is tired all day, often

The reason? Her boyfriend,

Hans, snores. Night after night

she can't sleep. Whenever he drinks he snores

louder. She has tried everything.

Shaking him doesn't work. Put-

ting a hand over his mouth does

On nights like these she usually

ends up on the living-room sofa,

like millions of fellow-sufferers.

tion says one adult in 10 is a noisy

West Germans, or one in four,

more women than children or

juveniles. And over-60s of both

sexes are particularly productive

in the nocturnal decibel depart-

Professor Karlheinz Meier

Ewert, head of the neurological

clinic in Treysa, says 50 per cent

of men and 40 per cent of women

The German Pharmacists'

Association has an even more

disturbing figure. It says nine out-

with a snorer snorting alongside

This is a far cry from the North

Labour,

snore by the age of 60.

More men snore than women.

snorer. An estimated 15 m

are said to snore.

The World Health Organisa-

pervous and exhausted.

for a few seconds.

tor in a long line.

of America's premier journal of letters, putting book publisher Robert Gottlieb in the job held for 35 years by William Shawn.

Many of the staff, appalled by what they considered callous treatment of the 79-year-old Shawn and the prospect of an: outsider taking over, signed a letter to Gottlieb urging him not to take the post.

Gottlieb declined the advice and said he expected to begin work in mid-February.

who is resigning as president and editor-in-chief of Alfred A.

The New Yorker is a wonderful magazine... it was an irresisti-ble opportunity," he told Reu-

a host of newspapers.

A January 13 letter from New-Knopf Publishers, a prestigious house to the New Yorker staff about Gottlieb's appointment

said that Shawn had "informed me that he will retire March 1." But New Yorker editors and reporters said Shawn, who has declined to talk to outside reporters, had told them he expected to stay until summer, breaking in his hand-picked successor, Chip McGrath, a New Yorker editor

for 15 years. "According to Mr. Shawn, whom I've never caught in a lie, it was his intention to depart in the summer after he'd given Mr. McGrath an adequate brief,"

Such matters might seem a tempest in a teapot outside the circle of New York literati for whom the New Yorker, which has a circulation of over 500,000 copies weekly, has been required reading almost since its anaugural

whom and when - have always been important at the New Yorchecking department that makes

Over the years, New Yorker



Salinger, John Updike, John tain's "punch" and flourished Cheever, Robert Benchley, Ved Mehta, Dorothy Parker, S.J. Perelman, John Hersey, Ann Beattle, John McPhee and Vladimir Nabokov.

It also is a magazine which — an anomaly in the quick-paced age of electronic media - resists

Gottlieb is only its third chief editor, following Shawn and founding editor Harold Ross.

The magazine did not print a table of contents for almost 50 years and articles run for column after column without the benefit of photographs — although readers are invited to purchase all kinds of luxury goods and services in the lavish, colour adverts that run alongside.

"Any change at the New Yorker is always regarded as risky," said Brendan Gill, a drama critic for the magazine and chronicler of its colourful history in his book "here at the New Yorker".

Staffers worry that someone from outside — someone not steeped in the New Yorker tradition - might be unable to sustain the character of the magazine, which began as a sophisticated, jokey review modelled on Bri-

into a showcase for America's best writers.

The previous owners -- a wealthy family that provided founder Ross with seed money in 1925 and financial backing over the years - were "almost ridiculously indifferent to matters of making money," said staff writer James Lardner.

The magazine - which rus cartoons, short stories, reviews. political commentary, light fea-tures on New York happenings and long features on topics rang-ing from the hazards of asbestos to the geology of Wyoming — has been "criticised for being long-winded and not jazzy enough," Lardner said.

"Whoever takes over will be having to answer those critiche said, adding that staff members feared an "outsider" might be less able to resist press-

ures for change. But Gill said the New Yorker staff had been "spoiled with be-

nign, paternalistic management. The pictogram in Chinese for crisis is also the pictogram for opportunity," he said. "If you stay alert and do reflect your time

drops marketed by Bremen ear.

nose and throat specialist Dr. Dietrich Reichert after 30 years

A Berlin medical newsletter

promptly dismissed the drops as

"expensive humbug," leaving hapless snorers to their own de-

Some are so desperate they

even resort to surgery. Tonsils

are removed, uvulas shortened

and palates toned up. Throat muscles are "lifted" in much the

same way as in plastic surgery.

apy. A microphone monitors the patient's snoring. When it ex-

ceeds a prearranged noise level an electric shock is administered

to wake up the offender. This device is available as a pillow or

A British doctor claims to have

developed this technique furth-

est. He says his patients, who are

given electric shocks in the arm,

are not woken up; the shock merely triggers a "mental bar-

device is, he says, no longer

needed. The patient is cured. His

arm continues to throb periodi-

or later that stops.

Dr. Pecanov's device, which he

spent seven years perfecting, was

ly, with headlines proclaiming

Bedroom" and "Secret Weapon

looks very much like an upper set of false teeth or a gumshield. Its

main feature is an adjustable

Air finds its way unhindered

into the mouth, throat and iungs

main forms of classical Arab

song: Al Dour, Al Muwashah, Al Qoudoud Al Halabiah, Al Qasi-

Fakhri said he opposed the introduction of electric instru-

ments into the Arab orchestra.

As head of the Syria Artists'

Union, he ordered all orchestras

He has special memories of a

concert outside Paris where he

was chosen to open an Arab

music festival and was warmly

received by the mainly-Western

Fakhri expressed support for

an Arab artists' union established

in Cairo at the end of last year and

said he hoped it would help to

achieve the unity which Arabs had so far failed to realise

He also paid tribute to Abdul

"I will continue my efforts to

promote traditional music among

present and future generations.

What moves me is the great need

to ensure that our music will not

die." he said.

Halim Nowairah, an Egyptian troupe which is reviving tradition-

through political means.

dah and Al Mawwal.

Peace and Quiet At Last in the

His "biomechanical activator"

hailed even more enthusia

cally while he sleeps, but sooner

After a few weeks' use his

Others try electric shock ther-

of research.

a collar.

rier" to snoring.

Stops Snoring."

from the soft palate.

# Israel: A haven for criminals

By Dan Izenberg The Associated Press

— The case of a French lew fighting extradition to serve a life sentence for murder focuses attention on a recurring problem facing leaders who must decide if Israel should shelter Jewish criminals.

Those supporting the Frenchman, William Nakash, include leaders of Israel's orthodox religious community.

Many of Nakash's supporters regard him as a symbol of the plight of the Jews throughout history. They view his case as another example of problems encountered by members of a persecuted minority. Rabbi Eliezer Waldman, a par-

liament member from the rightwing Tehiya Party, said Israel was established as a homeland for all Jewish people.

"The Jewish state is a state for all types of Jews — the good and the not so good," he said. A basic tenet of the Jewish state is the 1950 law of return, which grants automatic citizenship to any Jew who claims

But opponents fear a precedent that would turn Israel into a haven for Jewish criminals. "The (government's) decision

not to extradite could create a situation where more criminals will think they can come here to solve their problems," said Shimon Shetreet, a law professor. He represents 11 professors from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem who appealed to the supreme court to try to overturn

the government's refusal to honour France's extradition request. Israel radio's French service reported recently that 60 Israelis are wanted for criminal charges abroad, and half of them took Israeli citizenship after commit-

ting their crimes. One fugitive who sought refuge in Israel was the late Meyer Lansky, a U.S. crime figure. He moved to Israel in July 1970, just ahead of indictments for racketeering and tax evasion.

After a two-year legal battle, Israel's supreme court refused Lansky citizenship, ruling that his 'criminal past might endanger the public welfare." He was expelled in November 1972.

Shmuel Flatto-Sharon, a Pol- marry. German aid gives priority to

small-scale projects By Karl Zander

Federal government is increasing-ly channelling its development adult education organisations in cooperation with Third World Third World host countries. organisations, or NGOs. Development aid funds earmarked for this purpose have steadily increased and now amount to roughly 10 per cent of the aid estimates, says Volkmar Kohler,

billion this year.

plate that keeps the tongue apart

- and does so noiselessly. But users complain of nausea. the Federal government. and shorter and played on West-ern instruments. They bear only a distant resemblance to the five

Friedrich Naumann and Hanns

BONN (DaD) - Germany's

parliamentary state secretary at the Federal Economic Cooperation Ministry. Bonn's develop-ment aid budget will total DM7

"There can be no denying," Herr Kohler said in Bonn, "that the generally acknowledged fine work done by NGOs is deserving of confidence and that they ought accordingly to be allocated even more funds." Most of these orgamisations raise substantial funds of their own toward development cooperation activities and are paid only grants or subsidies by

The Catholic and Protestant churches are the mainstays of non-governmental development aid. Their activities concentrate on education and health, agriculture and social work. Party-political foundations --- the Konrad

Seidel foundations — closely collaborate with political parties,

Ministry in Bonn lends financial support to a further 32 organisations specialising, in particular, in help to self-help in the rural sector and in the landlocked and least-developed countries (LLDCs). These organisations include the German Freedom from Hunger Campaign, the German Leprosy Relief Fund, the German Red Cross and the Workers'

Welfare Association. With Bonn government backing for large-scale industrial projects on the decline in the framework of German bilateral aid and numbers of small-scale rural and self-help projects on the increase, even closer cooperation with NGOs is a distinct possi-

"Government aid is simply too expensive for many small-scale measures involving self-help groups," Herr Kohler says. NGOs are usually more effective in this sector because they generally work with NGOs in the host countries and have less trouble Adenauer, Friedrich Ebert, with red tape.

### Moroccan skeleton too big for a cupboard

bility.

By Charles Lambelin Reuter

RABAT — You are unlikely to find this skeleton in a cupboard because the curboard would have to be the size of a house.

Morocco boasts the discovery of a dinosaur skeleton which makes foreign museum curators envious. It is not the largest in the

world but it is the most complete. "Hardly a bone is missing from this herbivorous sauropod which lived some 165 million years ago and was found intact in the Atlas mountains in 1980," says Ahmed

Ouazzon, a paleontologist who looks after the remains of the dead reptile as if it were his pet. When alive the beast weighed from 15 to 20 tonnes. It was about kilometres south east of Casab-18 metres long. Its small head, towering about eight metres from

the ground, grazes the ceiling of the ministry of energy and mines where it has recently been put on about four months," says Ouazdisplay. Morocco claims to be the only

country in the world to have a full skeleton of this species, seteosaurus moghrebiansis, one

1908 by an American paleontologist but it was made from bones of four different animals fund in a quarry at Sheep

Wyoming. In Morocco's case, the whole skeleton was found in one place, exactly where the dead animal's carcass came to rest.

One of the theories for its remarkable state of preservation is that the dinosaur was carried a shot distance by an overflowing river, sank on the river bed in a bend and was slowly covered by

The fossilised bones were spotted by a geologist on a 1.500metre hilltop near Tilougguit in the high Atlas mountains, 200

lanca. "Each bone was carefully dug out, cleaned and wrapped in bandages and plaster. It took us zon, from the natural science

museum housed in the ministry. "The smaller bones, up to 100

kilos, were carried down to Azilal, the nearest town, by donkeys. of the rarest and oldest of the But the heaviest pieces had to be lifted by helicopters. Do you real-The first skeleton of a dinosaur ise that the hip bone alone weighs was assembled in the Paris zoo in half a tonne?" he said.

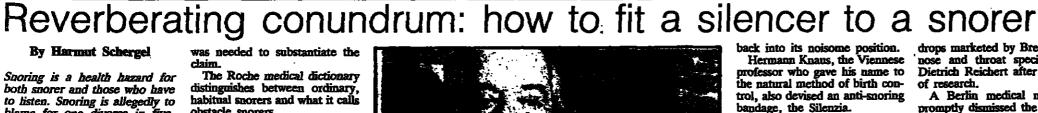
By Michael Roddy "It's a stimulating change and I lionaire owner of Vogue, Vanity felt I needed one," said Gottlieb. Fair, Gentlemen's Quarterly and

But many on the staff were left with a bitter taste, feeling the venerated Shawn was ill served by Newhouse, the multi-mil-

> William Knapp, an editor of the New Yorker's long, detailed non-fiction articles, told Reuters. issue on February 21, 1925. But words — who said what to

ker, which prides itself on the quality of its prose, the factits accuracy legendary, and the list of staff and contributors that reads like the who's who of American arts and letters.

regulars have included E.B. White, James Thurber, J.D.



bandage, the Silenzia.

Made of foam rubber, it was a kind of elastic band worn round the head to keep the chin up and mouth closed, thereby ensuring noiseless sleep.

The latest craze at one stage was an anti-snoring headband worn horizontally, as it were, unlike Professor Knaus's device. It included an iron tooth worn at the back of the head that stopped the wearer from sleeping on his

Whenever he slipped on to his back the tooth dug into his skull. It hurt. He woke up. And turned over on to his side again.

The North Rhine-Westphalian

Labour, Health and Welfare Ministry runs a taped message service that relays health hints. A record number of callers have rung to find out what the men from the ministry have to say about snoring.

Sad to say, callers are told little more than the old bromides such as "try not to sleep on your back.

Other tips of doubtful value include blowing your nose before going to bed, giving the bedroom a good airing and raising the foot of the bed to improve blood circulation in the brain, Other doubtful hints are to

make sure the bowels and bladder are empty before going to bed and to fit humidifiers in the bedroom so that nose and throat membranes do not dry out during

are still at a loss what to do, and news items on the latest cure soon

Yet snorers and their victims

In 1925 Amalie Draguhn from

Lubeck patented a tongue depressor to be used at night to stop

people unable to get a good

night's sleep because of a snoring

In 1889 Wilhelm Mosters from

#### Strasbourg applied for a German patent for an anti-snoring device that resembled a collar and was the night. claimed to keep the sleeper's chin up and mouth closed

prove to be a mere flash in the

### nocturnal noise abatement has the snorer's tongue from slipping

By Issam Hamza

can sing for 14 unbroken hours, but he does not want a mention in the Guinness book of world records - his name is already etched in the memories of millions of Arabs who adore classical

em Arab singers.

surviving giant of the classical ninth century. the music of Bach and Handel,

heritage?"

the noted Arab composer, to take him to the Damascus conserva-

Arab public through Syrian radio in 1947 and his vocal stamina became legend through live concerts televised in the 1960s.

hours to an enraptured audience, starting at eight in the evening and finishing at ten the next morning. He repeated the feat in

did not let me leave the stage, and I enjoyed that a lot." Fakhri has harsh words for modern singers whom he says are

sue cheap means to get rich in the fastest possible way," he said.
He blamed radio, television and the press for lack of discri-

> Arab music - its tones, instruments, forms and rhythms.



#### Take the Sonarex anti-snoring Kohner Stadt-Anzeiger, Cologne. been a constant preoccupation of Sabah Fakhri keeps classical Arab music alive

Now you hear him, now you don't.

or his left or on his back or his

stomach. If Dr. Pecanov's "in-

traoral observations" are accu-

rate, snorers can no longer feel

confident that no-one could pick

them out in a crowd in broad

daylight. He claims to be able to

identify a snorer from his physi-

que. True or not, there can be no

disputing that snoring is a prob-

lem as old as sleep and that

Dr. Pacarow with the anti-moring device

Since the start of his musical career 40 years ago, Fakhri has devoted himself to preserving classical songs and musical forms increasingly abandoned by mod-

Arab song, which dates to the "The West is still preserving

His voice first filtered to the

ABU DHABI - Sabah Fakhri

Arab music. include the shape of the snorer's chin or nose or flabby tissue.

> Fakhri told Reuters after a concert in Abu Dhabi. "Why can't

At a concert in Aleppo as closed, he is lying on his right side | recently as 1984, he sang for 14 corrupting Arab music. "They abandon their heritage and pur-

mination in disseminating new He said he was not opposed to modernisation per se, only to that which abandoned the essence of

to use the 'oud (lute) as their main string instrument. Modern songs tend to be faster Fakhri has sung in every Arab state, Latin American countries with large Arab communities and many cities in Europe and North America. In Miami, he was given the keys to the city after a con-



the proceedings.

of 10 adults snore. Rhine-Westphalian Health and Welfare Ministry's claim that a mere nine per cent of men and 3.6 per cent of women

are regular snorers. Grete Scheida, a teacher from Wesseling, has strong views on the subject. "You can have no idea of the pent-up, suppressed rage of a snorer's victim," she says, "until you have sat up at night trying to read Rilke poems

> VOIL. This pent-up rage can have disastrous long-term repercus-sions. "Love," she says, "can be throttled, paralysed and choked, if not killed." The Pharmacists' Association

One divorce in five is said to be triggered by either husband or. wife no longer being able to bear the other's snoring. Divorce doesn't always do the trick. In Vienna a husband took his father-in-law to court for snor-

ing night after night. He wanted

him out of the house.

agrees. Snoring rather than in-

fidelity, it says, has been the

downfall of many a marriage.

The court ruled that the old man's snoring was not a breach of the domestic peace. He could carry on snoring for as long as he liked and was entitled to share his son-in-law's home. Snoring may thus not be a breach of the peace or an in-

a Berlin administrative court has held that snoring is admissible as It did so in connection with an appeal against a judgment by a Mainz court on the ground that one of the judges had slept during

The appeal was dismissed. A

judge whose eyes were closed

need not, the court felt, be

asleep. Further evidence, such as

loud, even breathing or snoring,

fringement of property rights, but

gue muscles relax, their chin falls, their tongue is pulled back and their uvula at the back of the palate starts to vibrate. The noise level can be awe-

some. Up to 69 decibels is far

was needed to substantiate the

The Roche medical dictionary

distinguishes between ordinary,

obstacle sporers.

habitual snorers and what it calls

The latter snore when their

respiratory tract becomes par-

rower as they breathe through

their mouths, their chin and ton-

from uncommon. Pneumatic drills hammer away at between 70 and 90 decibels, by way of The world record is claimed for an Englishman whose snore is said to have registered 87.5 de-

Both the snorer and his victim are tired, nervous and barely capable of a clear thought the morning after - even though the snorer may seem to have slept lumberjack. The victim has, of course, been

kept awake by the seemingly blissful, infuriating, nerve-rack-ing snorer. But the snorer isn't usually a heavy sleeper; snorers have been known to wake up as many as 250 times a night. What is more, they sleep dangerously. Research scientists

at Bologna University have conchided from years of tests that a regular and persistent snorer does himself both heart and brain The ordinary sleeper's blood pressure falls by between 20 and 30 per cent, whereas the snorer's

stays at its waking level round the clock. Circulation and cardiac trouble or even a stroke can be Scientists have also found snorers to stop breathing several-times nightly for up to 160 seconds

 long enough to seriously inter-rupt the vital exchange of oxygen between the lungs and the blood. The input of oxygen bound for the brain is brought to a halt for a while — long enough to per-manently impair the brainpower

of a babitual snorer. Whether viewed as an illness or as a bad habit, snoring can have many causes. They range from nasal congestion to a swollen palate, from inflamed tonsils and polypi to a heavy cold that impairs breathing.

Other, congenital causes can

Many people snore because they are too fat, have drunk too much or have taken tranquillisers. An old adage that must be taken with a pinch of salt is the fond belief that people snore when lying flat on their backs and will stop snoring if they can be

persuaded to lie on their sides.

This rule of thumb doesn't ai-

ways work, says Viersen dentist

Atanas Pecanov, the author of a

book on snoring and inventor of an anti-snoring device he calls a biomechanical activator. In his book he also arrives at the unsurprising conclusion that:
'Unpleasant noises in the mouth and throat are a social problem, especially where several people

have to sleep in the same room."

snores on his back with his mouth

open, the second snores on his

side with his mouth closed and

the third always snores no matter

whether his mouth is open or

He also identifies three basic categories of snorer. The first He is now considered the last

the Arabs maintain their musical Fakhri, 57, was born in Aleppo, capital of northern Syria and one of the most prestigious centres of Arab music. He began singing before the age of 10 and his talent and strong voice per-suaded Sheikh Ali Al Darwish,

Caracas, Venezuela.

"I did not mean to sing that long and I was not trying to secure a place in the Guinness book of records," he said. "I was just reacting to the audience who

SPORTS IN BRIEF

PARIS (R) - Tamara Costache of Romania beat her own

world short-course best time for the women's 50 metres freestyle

at a swimming meeting Saturday. Costaache, who set a mark of

25.08 seconds in Cannes on Jan. 18, clocked 25.01 in the

25-metre Boulogne-Billancourt pool in a solo swim Saturday.

The 16-year-old Romanian set a world long-course mark of 25.28 at the World Championships in Madrid last Angust.

Bulgarian sets women's high jump mark

GENOA, Italy (AP) — Stefka Kostadinova of Bulgaria set a new women's indoor best Saturday in the high jump with a leap of 2.04 metres. She broke the previous mark of 2.03 metres, set

by Tamara Bykova of the Soviet Union in Budapest in 1983.

Kostadinova tried to break her own outdoor world record of

2.08 metres, but she missed at 2.09. The new mark was set at an

international meet in this northern port city involving athletes

LONDON (AP) - British horseracing authorities are to

consider a proposal to introduce dope tests for jockeys,

according to press reports. "As far as we know, no jockeys are

taking drugs," said Peter Twite, head of administration at the Jockey Club, governing body of the sport in this country. Twite

said the Jockey Club would meet on Feb. 9 to consider a

proposal allowing medical officers to carry out a drug test on a

Czechoslovakia cruised past Australian Wally Masur Saturday to advance to the final of the \$105,000 New South Wales Open

tennis championships. The 22-year-old Czech, ranked 9th in the

world, downed the sixth-seeded Masur 6-4, 6-2 with an

impressive performance that belied his lack of experience on

grass courts. Mecir will meet unseeded Australian Peter Doohan, ranked 180th in the world, in Sunday's final of the

Nabisco Grand Prix event. Doohan, 25, battled for over two

hours to defeat his lefthanded compatriot Brad Drewett 6-7,

from May 25-June 4, the Australian Soccer Federation

announced Saturday. The three clubs will compete against the

Australian national team in the tournament, said Brian Emery,

the federation's executive director. Emery also confirmed that

the Australian team would compete in the President's Cup

tournament in South Korea in June. Other entrants for the

President's Cup are Chile, Kuwait, Nigeria, South Korea. North

Korea, AC Milan of Italy, Sao Paulo of Brazil, an Eastern European nation and an English First Division club yet to be

Wadkins leads Pebble Beach tourney

British clubs to play 'down under'

rider if there was any suspicion about his condition.

Proposal made to dope-test jockeys

from Italy, Spain and Bulgaria.

6-4, 6-4 in the other semi.

Romanian beats swimming record

# Ireland's Coghlan wins record 7th Millrose mile

But it was Coghlan who stole

the show. Content to allow Mark

Fricker to dictate the pace for the

opening half of the race, Coghlan

began to make his presence felt

with three laps remaining. Irishman Ray Flynn picked up

eased passed his compatriot on

Off the final bend, the "Chair-

man of the Boards," as he is

known, clenched his fists to ack-

nowledge his achievement before

Coghlan's victory followed

fears last month that he would

miss the entire indoor season

after being attacked by a dog, suffering a severe leg wound and

breaking a bone in his hand.

Friday night was the 10th anniversary of his first Millrose

mile triumph in 1977.
Briton Steve Ovett, the 1980

Olympic 800 metres champion

making his first appearance in-

doors anywhere in the world

since 1975, had a nightmare

He was never in contention and

drifted 25 yards off the pack but

crossing the line.

NEW YORK (R) — Ireland's Eamonn Coghlan ran the perfect tactical race to land a record seventh win in the showpiece men's mile at the 80th Millrose Games indoor athletics meeting at Madison Square Garden.

The 34-year-old 5,000 metres Jamaican world champion Bert world champion struck on the final circuit of the 11-lap event to secure a remarkable victory in three minutes 55.91 seconds.

Fellow-Irishman Marcus O'Sullivan, who denied Coghlan his record with victory here last year, took second here Friday night in 3:56.48 and Spain's Jose Abascal finished third in 3:56.98. The victory enabled Coghlan, holder of the world best indoors for the distance, to succeed Glenn Cunningham as winner of most Milhose miles.

The American triumphed on six occasions between 1933 and 1939. Earlier, world champion Greg Foster powered to an impressive 60-yard hurdles win over bitter rival Renaldo Nehamiah, holder of the world best for the distance, and Olympic champion Roger Kingdom in a pulsating all-Amer-

And Carl Lewis, winner of four gold medals at the 1984 Olympics, suffered a surprise defeat in the men's 60 yards when world best holder Lee McRae led from gun to tape to win in 6.12 seconds. Lewis clocked 6.14. American Antonio McKay also

swept to an emphatic victory in. the men's 400 metres ahead of Nigerian Innocent Egbunike and

hung on to finish.
"Three years ago I sat in the stands and watched this race with Glenn (Cunningham) and we talked about experience," Cogh-

lan said. "That's what I focused on tonight. I wanted to be cool, calm and collected and didn't want to get over-anxious."

He said he would compete in the 3,000 metres in Ottawa Saturday in an attempt to record a qualifying time for the inaugural World Indoor Championships in Indianapolis in March.

After the race Ovett comthe pace from Abascal with two laps to go but Coghlan brought plained of suffering from a cold the crowd to their feet when he and said he had not felt well. Foster had to battle all the way to overhaul Mark McKoy in an the final back straight and opened enthralling high-hurdles event. He finally reeled in the Cana-

> ed victory in 6.98 seconds. Nehemiah, back competing indoors this season after a four-year spell in American football, came through on Foster's shoulder to take second place as McKoy faded to fourth. Kingdom was a

dian with 20 yards left and snatch.

surprising fifth. Lewis swept his 60 vards heat but then struggled to get on terms with McRae in the final after a

DOOR START. Afterwards he said: "The knee feels great. I felt good running but I made some mistakes out of the blocks. I ran 6.14 which is faster than I ran last year."

American Tim Lewis set the only world best of the night clocking 5:41.12 to win the mile walk.

NBA roundup

# Chicago Bulls lose to Philadelphia

Derek Harper and Mark

Aguirre scored 28 points each

record-setting game for 3-point

Lucas scored 21 points and

Hodges 19 for the Bucks, who

Atlanta's Dominique Wilkins

Kevin McHale scored nine of

his 31 points during a third-quar-

ter burst as visiting Boston wiped

out a 14-point deficit and beat

Indiana for its sixth straight vic-

Pacers, who have lost five in a

Chuck Person scored 26 for the

A.C. Green scored 25 points

and Kareem Abdul Jabbar 23

while Magic Johnson had a sea-

Friday's victories gave Canada

a leg up on the best-of-five series:

the Canadian doubles team of

will now face Inaki Calvo and

Wostenholme will take on

Valerio Boccitto of Venezuela.

Pereira in Sunday's singles, followed by the Michibata-Claverie

**Ivory Coast wins** 

over Majid Soudani of Tunisia

Friday afternoon in the first of

N'Goran, 17, kept the more

experienced Soudani, 27, on the

defensive throughout the singles

match and his stamina outlasted

In a later match, 21-year-old

Antoine Beaugretche of Ivory

Coast fought off Tunisia's Hassan

Soudani, 24, to take a 10-8, 6-2,

for the Africa Zone.

outscored his brother Gerald 31-

had won three in a row.

Hawks 106, Knicks 98

to its fifth straight loss.

Celtics 100, Pacers 94

Lakers 114, Suns 102

Ewing 16.

Canada and Ivory Coast

take lead in Davis Cup

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) - tropical sun.

NEW YORK (AP) - Michael Mavericks 133, Bucks 117 Jordan, the NBA's leading scorer, put on another show. Still, it still wasn't enough to stop Charles Barkley and the Philadelphia 76ers.

Jordan scored 49 points Friday night, but Barkley had 40 points and 21 rebounds as Philadelphia beat the Chicago Bulls 121-112.

"It doesn't matter how many points he had. We won the game. That's the important thing," Barkley said.

"I would rather win the game than have the personal stats any game in the season," Jordan said after Chicago's fourth consecutive loss. Tim McCormick finished with

14 points and David Wingate had 12 for the 76ers. Charles Oakley had 18 points and 17 rebounds for

In other NBA games, Boston beat Indiana 100-94, the Los Angeles Lakers downed Phoenix 114-102, Atlanta defeated New York 106-98, Dallas beat Milwaukee 133-117, Golden State defeated Seattle 127-119, Portland stopped New Jersey 125-107 and San Antonio defeated the Los Angeles Clippers 124-120 in

Canada's Martin Wostenholme

and Glenn Michibata scored sing-

les victories Friday to take a 2-0

lead over Venezuela in first-

the Association of Tennis Profes-

sionals, beat Carlos Claverie 6-3,

3-6, 6-4, 6-4. Michibata, compet-

ing in his fifth Davis Cup, defe-

ated Venezuela's teen sensation

Nicolas Pereira 8-6, 6-2, 6-4 in the

Michibata is ranked 192nd in

singles and 89th in doubles by the

Claverie is probably Vene-

zuela's strongest singles player,

while the 16-year-old Pereira is

considered the country's best

Canadian team captain John

McManus worried before the

matches about the synthetic sur-

face of the court at the National

Tennis Centre in Caracas, saying

that the courts "are super fast, a

But Wostenholme and Michi-

bata took it in their stride after

practising for hours under a hot 6-1 victory.

American Zone matchup.

tope for the future.

little too fast actually.

Wostenholme, ranked 189th by

round Davis Cup matches.

son-high 19 assists as the Lakers won in Phoenix. Larry Nance scored 18 for Phoenix. Spars 124, Clippers 120.

and Dallas beat Milwaukee in a Alvin Robertson scored six of his 25 points in overtime and San Detlef Schrempf scored 15-Antonio beat the Clippers in Los Angeles for its fourth straight points with 10 rebounds and 10 assists for host Dallas. John

victory. The Clippers, who have lost 34 of their last 37 games, forced the overtime when Darnell Valentine made a three-point shot with six second remaining in the fourth quarter. Valentine finished with

23 as the Hawks sent New York Warriors 127, Supersonics 119 Kevin Willis scored 15 for the Joe Barry Carroll scored 32 host Hawks. Gerald Henderson points and Purvis Short and Eric 'Sleepy" Floyd each had 31 as got 18 for the Knicks and Patrick Golden State ended a five-game losing streak by beating visiting

Seattle Tom Chambers scored 36 points and Dale Ellis 33 for Seattle.

Trail Blazers 125, Nets 107 Kiki Vandeweghe scored 28 points and Clyde Drexler 20 as hot-shooting Portland downed

New Jersey.
Orlando Woolridge scored 21 points for the Nets, who lost their fourth straight game and eighth in a row on the road.

#### Syria upsets Mecir advances to NSW Open final E.Germany in SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - Top-seeded Miloslav Mecir of

KOZHIKODE, India (AP) -- In another major upset, Syria defeated East Germany 2-1 after a freak goal by mid-fielder Garge Michibata and Mark Greenan Khorri Friday in the 6th Jawaharlal Nehru Gold Cup international soccer tournament.

Nehru soccer

At half-time, the two teams were tied 1-1. On Thursday, Bulgaria upset last year's runnerup China 4-0 in

League 'B' to enter the semifinals.

two points, and was ousted from

Nigeria-Soviet Union match to know if it will enter the semifinal round. The Soviets have three points and the Nigerians two.

started.

The tournament is named after

#### East Germany, with three SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Leading British soccer clubs Manchester United, Nottingham Forest and Glasgow Celtic will points, will have to wait until the Davis Cup elimination matches compete in a four-team international tournament in Australia

The Syrians launched a series

midway through the leg. Stars

and Stripes' domination in that

hight air indicated the boat's

strength wasn't limited to heavy

weather, an image Conner tried

throughout the leg, with Stars and Stripes on the left and

Kookaburra III on the right. His

big lead allowed Conner to avoid

a tacking duel against the more

During the delay, the Austra-

lian yacht put up a different mainsail as the wind picked up.

At the gun signalling the beginning of the pre-start period, Stars

and Stripes still was changing its

It was a rare cloudy day in what

has been a consistently sunny

summer. The lighter wind earlier

in the day was unusual and seemed to favour the Australian

headsail.

manocuvrable Aussie boat.

to project.
The boats stayed

#### Despite the win, Syria ended Meanwhile in Abidjan, Ivory last in League 'A' collecting just Coast's Clement N'Goran romped to a 6-2, 6-0, 7-5 victory

the tournament.

of offensive on the East German goal as soon as the contest

India's first prime minister, grandfather of present Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

PEBBLE BEACH, California (AP) - Lanny Wadkins chipped in for a birdie on his final hole and took a one-shot lead over Payne Stewart Friday after two rounds of the \$600,000 Pebble Beach National Pro-Am Golf Tournament. Wadkins put a birdie-birdie finish on a 3-under-par 69 at tough Spyglass Hill and completed 36 holes in 137, seven under par. Under the format that calls for the pros to play one round at each of three Monterey Peninsula courses, he now faces the final two rounds at Pebble Beach. Wadkins won the 1977 Professional Golf Association Championship on that course. Japanese veteran Isao Aoki, Danny Edwards and former British Open champion Sandy Lyle of Scotland were at 139, two shots back. Aoki had a 70 and Lyle 71, both at Pebble Beach. Edwards shot 69 at

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# Swiss skiers sweep championships

CRANS-MONTANA, Switzerland (AP) — Peter Mueller, one of the sport's old-timers, upset Swiss teammate Pirmin Zurbriggen to win the men's downhill at the Alpine Ski World Championships on Saturday.

In taking the glamour event of the two-week tournament, the 29-year-old Mueller led a Swiss sweep of the medals, rocketing down the nationale course in 2 minutes, 7.80 seconds.

"After 12 years of racing, a dream comes true," Mueller said after being congratulated by Zurbriggen for his first gold medal in Olympic or World Championship competition.
Zurbriggen, the favourite to

win the downbill and three other titles here, started no. 1 and posted a time of 2:08.13, very fast but not enough to retain the gold medal he won in Bormio, Italy, two years ago.

Third was Karl Alpiger of teammate Franz Heinzer fourth

Rob Boyd of Canada was the top non-Swiss, fifth at 2:08.50, but the home-team domination continued with Daniel Mahrer placing sixth, in 2:09.06.

Mueller, who won his 14th World Cup downhill at the season-opening race in Las Lenas, Argentina, last August, was the silver medallist behind Zurbriggen in Bormio and second in the Winter Olympic downhill in Sarajevo. Yugoslavia, in 1984. For a while Saturday, it looked as if he was headed for runner-up again.

Zurbriggen, cheered on by a flag-waving, bell-ringing crowd from his nearby hometown of Saas-Almagell, zoomed down the course like a red-and-yellow rocket, his helmet a black nose cone that soared against the cloudless sky.

The other early runners were behind Zurbriggen from the very start. Even Mueller was trailing Switzerland at 2:08.20, with his teammate's times on the top part of the 3,112-metre course, but by increasingly small margins.

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"So many times in the championships and the Olympics I have finished in the top five, always missing gold," Mueller "This is my biggest win. Years of training and racing have

As he saw Mueller's time flashed on the scoreboard at the finish, Zurbriggen smiled and went to shake his teammate's

Mueller averaged 103.38 kilometres per hour, and a computer reckoned that - if he and Zurbriggen had been racing side by side -- the older Swiss ace would have edged the younger one by 9.4 metres.

The victory by Mueller gave the Swiss team a sweep of the gold medals so far. Erika Hess won the women's combined championship on Friday.

More good news for the Swiss came out of the morning's training run for Sunday's women's downhill. Maria Walliser, the defending World Cup overall champion and current leader in the overall points standings, was first in 1:44.55. Teammate and defending champion downhill Michela Figini was second at 1:44.98, while Catherine Quittet of France was third at 1:45.61. Hess was fifth at 1:46.37, behind West Germany's Regine Moesen-lechner's 1:45.86.

the run, Mueller jetted ahead. He flashed through the final metres, flying over the last jump like a yellow-helmeted snowbird, and crossed the finish line to tumult and the end of years of frustra-

at last resulted in the prize."

# U.S. takes lead in America's Cup final

the Tunisian's.

FREMANTLE, Australia (AP)

— Stars and Stripes grabbed the carty lead and steadily widened it Saturday to win the first race in the America's Cup final series against Australia's Kookaburra III.

direction change soon after the start.

After the delay, in which the accommodate the wind as it began coming out of the southwest, the boats were even at the start,

The U.S. entry thrived in light winds and on downward legs to defeat Kookaburra III by 1 minute, 41 seconds. The start of the race was de-

pre-start manoeuvres were to

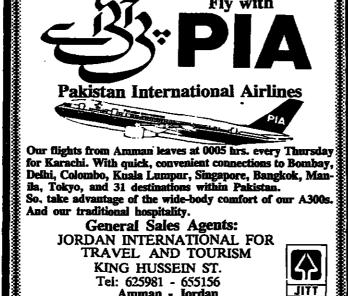
begin.
Officials apparently were waiting for the wind to shift to the southwest rather than have the

but Stars and Stripes was in con-Skipper Dennis Conner's boat

had forced Kookaburra III to tack away about 30 seconds belaved about 20 minutes as offi- fore the start and quickly opened cials anticipated a shift in wind a lead. Stars and Stripes was on direction. The decision was made the left side and Kookaburra III 10 minutes before the 10-minute on the far right as the starting gun pre-start manoeuvres were to went off in moderate winds.

At the end of the first 3.25-mile (5.2-kilometre) leg, Stars and Stripes had opened a 1-minute, 15-second lead as Conner took advantage of winds that shifted about 20 degrees toward the

The breeze also was dying, yacht in the 24.1-mile (38.8-decreasing to about eight knots 'kilometre) race.



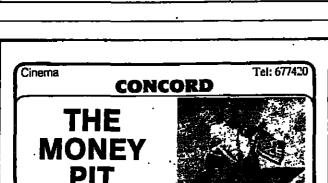




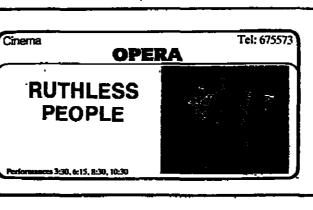


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# Honda outpaces competitors

TOKYO (R) — A sharp jump in from the previous year, JAMA output helped Honda leap past said. Mazda and Mitsubishi to become Japan's third largest producer of vehicles last year, industry analysts said last week.

Toyota and Nissan, in that order, are still by far the biggest manufacturers, but neither company was able to match Honda's

10 per cent growth last year.
Honda produced 1.24 million
unit in 1986, far below Toyota's staggering 3.66 million and Nissan's 2.24 million, but above Mazda's 1.20 million and Mitsubishi's 1.18 million, according to the car industry's official data compiler, the Japan Automobile Industry Association (JAMA).

Output for all Japan's vehicle manufacturers totalled 12.26 million in 1986, down 0.1 per cent Europe.

Watari said last week.

ers in South Korea for export to

the United States, and produc-

tion of colour television sets in

Singapore destined for the Mid-

dle East, according to Toshiba

Executive Vice President Fumio

its production of air conditioners

and radio cassette players in

Taiwan, Mr. Ohta said.

The company also will expand

Offshore production will be

Toshiba to expand production TOKYO (AP) — Toshiba Corp. emphasised in line with the giant

will increase its overseas production in 1987 to expand its markets abroad and offset losses caused by ness environment, Mr. Watari said at an annual news conferthe high value of the Japanese yen, Toshiba President Sugiichiro Toshiba plans this year to begin production of radio cassette play-

"We will pursue our efforts to increase imports of high-technol-ogy products," Mr. Watari said. "We will also increase production overseas of manufactured goods for export to third countries or

Mr. Ohta said overseas production in fiscal 1986, which ends this March, will be worth approximately 200 billion yen (\$1.3 billion), of which some 12 per cent will be exported to Japan.

electronic manufacturer's policy of easing trade friction and enhancing the international busi-

The total amount continues to

make Japan the largest producer

of vehicles in the world. The United States is expected to have

made slightly fewer than 12 million in 1986.

But with the exception of Hon-

da the Japanese manufacturers

had a relatively tough year trying

to boost domestic output,

The companies had to struggle

against export quotas, the strong

yen and oversupplies of inventor-

ies at dealers, but Honda boosted

its output as if there were no

problems, one car analyst said.

by swift sales not only in Japan,

but the United States and

Honda's output was bolstered

analysts said.

back to Japan."

# YOUR DAILY from the Carroll Righter Institute

#### Forecast for Sunday, February 1, 1987

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day of changing moods and activities for you. The early hours are fine for progessive ideas, but then some upsets occur that

require a change of plans.
ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Study your personal ambitions and how best to attain them. The evening is fine

for enjoying yourself.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Contact a good friend who can help you gain your ambitions. Don't commit yourself in practical affairs.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Get into activities that will gain you more prestige in public. Don't worry about the little matters now.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Early concentrate on elevated thoughts. Do nothing today that

can injure your health.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Be happy with the one you love even if amusements are not possible now. Enjoy

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) An associate gives you

avoiding an argument. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Study early how to make your environment more charming. Try to improve some

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Plan some fun for later, but be careful you do not overspend or jeopardize other

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You can be very happy at home. It's not wise to go after that long-term

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't worry about something you can do nothing about. Set up a better AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Handle some prac-

tical matter that needs attention. Do whatever you like the most for entertainment. PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Your judgment is not very good. Do nothing that may upset a higher-up. Put

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# U.S. treasury secretary visits Saudi Arabia today

Talks may also cover political cooperation

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — Treasury Secretary James Baker will head a U.S. delegation to Saudi Arabia Sunday for talks aimed at strengthening economic and political cooperation between the two

Finance ministers from both and both men are likely to discuss countries hold talks annually but the grave situation of Sudan, the latest round of discussions, from Feb. 3 to 5, became noteworthy after reports that Mr. Baker may afterwards fly to Europe for high-level meetings

on the currency crisis.

Mr. Baker and Saudi Finance Minister Mohammad Abal Khail will discuss the state of the U.S.-Saudi joint commission on economic cooperation which oversees

some 23 bilateral projects. These range from agriculture, health and customs planning to economic cooperation and assistance with scientific research and higher education.

The treasury secretary will also probably hear from the U.S. business community, which has become disillusioned by increasing payments delays on contracts with the Saudis, officials said.

But the officials acknowledge Mr. Baker's visit will also help to smooth ruffled Sandi feelings over several developments that have hurt the relationship re-

Mr. Baker's visit is the first by a top U.S. official since Vice President George Bush went there last April. With close ties to President Reagan and a considerable international reputation, Mr. Baker is an equally high-level

Saudi Arabia is reported to be upset over the Iranian arms scandal, America's staunch free mar-ket approach to the oil market, cials of President Reagan's admiand congressional opposition to arms sales by Washington to Riyadh.

In what many diplomats interpreted as a signal of Saudi disple-asure with Washington, the royal family recently sent newly-appointed Oil Minister Hashim Nazer to Moscow for talks on Soviet cooperation with OPEC oil production cutbacks. 'You can say it's punishing the

U.S. but I wouldn't make too much of it," said a U.S. official who noted that Saudi visits to Moscow are few and far between. Saudi Arabia is staunchly anticommunist and traditionally

deeply suspicious of Soviet inten-Officials said Mr. Baker ex-

pects to discuss the oil situation with Sheikh Nazer. The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) has gradually cut back production to force world oil prices higher. In addition to talks with Sheikh

Nazer, Mr. Baker will discuss bilateral issues chiefly with Finance Minister Abal Khail. The two men are also likely to

consult on international economic issues of mutual interest. Saudi Arabia is a strong supporter of Mr. Baker's plan to shore up the global debt situation

which owes foreign creditors over \$6 billion

Sheikh Abal Khail will probably ask Mr. Baker for a reliew of the international monetary situation. Recent instability on foreign exchange markets, where the dollar sank to record lows against the mark and the yen, could trigger a meeting of the Group of Five leading industrial

Even though no meeting of the five — the United States, Japan, West Germany, Britain and France — has been called yet, there are expectations that Mr. Baker will attend talks with finance ministers and central banks of the other four countries on his

return home. Saudi Arabia is a heavy investor in U.S. treasury bills and may express concern over the weaker dollar. But the days when the kingdom's financial influence was of great significance to Washington have gone with the days of very high oil prices.

#### Baker denies U.S. wants further dollar decline

Mr. Baker denied before a congressional panel Friday that the U.S. government has been trying to push down the value of the dollar.

Mr. Baker dismissed news renistration as saying the dollar needed to fall further in order to pressure Japan and West Germany to do more to help alleviate U.S. trade problems.

"Contrary to published reports, the United States is not and has not been for a period of a year talking down the dollar," he said in comments before the Joint Economic Committee of Con-

A report that the U.S. trade deficit declined substantially in December helped to push the value of the dollar higher in trading Friday.

Currency markets have been watching carefully for signs that it," Mr. Sarbanes said. the Group of Five would meet, Mr. Baker deflected t believing that it could result in coordinated action among the countries to stabilise the value of the U.S. currency.

A meeting between the five countries in September 1985 resulted in an accord to push the dollar lower as a way to help ease jor industrial countries, but: "It is the huge U.S. trade imbalance. A weaker dollar theoretically eration being given to should make imports more exbility" of a meeting. pensive while making American products more competitive on overseas markets.

tially, especially against the German mark and Japanese yen, but the U.S. trade deficit has continued to worsen. It hit a record \$169.8 billion for 1986, although the year ended with a December deficit of \$10.7 billion, the lowest monthly imbalance in 21 months.

Mr. Baker said the decline in the value of the dollar since September 1985 should have a beneficial effect on America's trade deficit but cautioned that there is a substantial lag time between exchange rate changes and movement in the trade figures."

He conceded that the Reagan administration's strategy of seeking a lower-valued dollar also

risks of reigniting inflation and driving up U.S. interest rates. One reason the decline so far has not produced either of those results was the corresponding fall

of world oil prices, he said. Mr. Baker said there had been recent periods of instability in the currency markets because of the sharp decline in the value of the dollar. During such periods of instability, countries often intervene to buy large amounts of the falling currency to prevent it from declining further.

Mr. Baker refused to comment on published reports that the United States had joined with Japan in buying U.S. dollars.

T cannot comment on intervention. We never do and we shouldn't. That would be a bad policy for the treasury to comment on when it might or might not intervene or on whether it has or hasn't intervened," Mr. Baker

However, opposition Democratic Senator Paul Sarbanes, chairman of the committee, said he did not see how the administration could conduct effective economic policy in such an atmosphere of secrecy.

Mr. Sarbanes said the situation had taken on aspects of a mystery novel. He noted one published report that Assistant Treasury Secretary David Mulford had slipped out of Washington on Wednesday for an undisclosed European location, possibly to plan for a Baker meeting with other finance ministers on Feb. 7.

"I don't see how, you can make effective policy in an atmosphere that is rife with such remours, and I think you should address

Mr. Baker deflected the question, joking that he was glad that "someone is keeping up with the assistant secretary for international affairs."

Mr. Baker said there was no date for the next meeting bejor industrial countries, but: "It is clear that there is some consideration being given to the possi-

In New York, a spokesmen for big American companies such as General Electric Co. (G.E.) and In the 16 months since the meeting took place, the value of the dollar has declined substan-

### **Peanuts**











## Mutt 'n' Jeff









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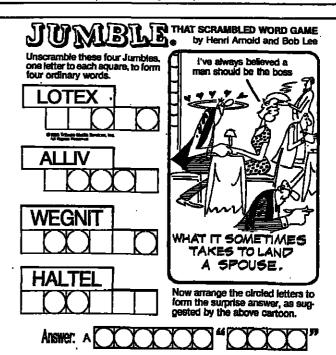








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(Answers tomorrow) Jumbies: BRIAR KNAVE ACCESS TROUGH Answer: What it was for the Peeping Torn when he was

caught looking through an open window—CURTAINS

# Aquino announces purge of rebellious troops in military

MANILA (R) — Philippine President Corazon . Aquino announced a purge of rebellious elements within the military Saturday, bluntly telling 200,000 cheering supporters: "I don't want to kill, but neither do I want us killed."

In a dramatic finale to her rifles, shotguns and machine nationwide campaign to seek guns. approval of a new constitution, Mrs. Aquino said last Tuesday's abortive military coup proved there could no longer be a reconciliation with some elements opposed to her.

My defence chiefs ... have pledged to cleanse the armed forces to remove undesirable and misguided elements," she told a crowd holding a sea of "vote yes" posters in Manila's Luneta Park. Mrs. Aquino did not specify

the extent of the purge. As she spoke, military officials announced they were closing in an undetermined number of rebel soldiers at large since Tuesday's

Military police searched a Manila suburb and arrested at least two soldiers armed with

Tension was high in Manila as rumours spread that bomb attacks on power stations and maybe another coup were in the offing.

A fierce fire at a Manila hospital 500 metres from the Luneta rally increased anxieties, though officials said they did not know the cause of the blaze.

All patients were safely evacu-Political analysts said Mon-

day's national plebiscite will be a litimus test of Mrs. Aquino's popularity 11 months after a people's power revolution catapulted her into power and drove former President Ferdinand Marcos into exile in Hawaii.

They said Mrs. Aquino seemed to have emerged stronger from

the recent turmoil, vowing re- dent said Friday night that he tribution for last Tuesday's abor- may heed doctors' warning not to tive coup by some 400 soldiers fly in an airplane for fear air and adroitly defusing widespread indignation roused when troops shot dead 15 left-wing demonstrators seeking land reform on Jan.

pressure within an airplane could

aggravate the ailment discovered

Marcos said the scan failed to

find a suspected tumour, but

"they did see some development

which required that I do not fly,

that I do not go into adverse

Asked if the ailment would

keep him from returning to the

Philipines, even if permission is

granted by the new government

of President Corazon Aquino, Marcos sid, "I would have to

consider this seriously, the advise

Marcos said doctors told him,

"you are in danger of physical and

medical ailments aggravated into

permanance if you risk air travel

and transfer to a cold environ-

"But it is still my hope that I could go to the Philippines,"

Marcos said. "I must really say

that all of this is in the hands of

to draft new

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) - Bra-

zil's newly-elected congress con-

venes Sunday to begin writing a

new constitution that will deter-

mine the president's mandate,

mark a date for a presidential

election and set the tone for the

The assembly also will be a

forum for increasingly vocal anti-

g overnment voices, as this fledg-ling democracy grapples with se-rious economic and political

It will be the eighth constitu-

tion in the 165-year independent

history of Latin America's largest

country. The last time a consti-

tuent assembly gathered to write

But that constitution was abo-

lished by military generals who in

1964 staged a right-wing coup and

then simply handed down the authoritarian charter that has

In anticipation of the historical

event, hotels in Brasilia flights

and to the capital have been

Security has been beefed up for

the event with about 700 federal

men on hand to prevent planned

iemonstrations from getting vio-

The new lawmakers were

elected last Nov. 15 in the freest

and most wideranging elections

Brazil's laws was in 1946.

been in force until now.

booked for months.

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during a brain scan.

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of the doctors."

Mrs. Aquino also appeared unscathed by the disclosure by a political foe this week of taped telephone conversations in which senior aides seemed to be telling her they were trying to influence a panel drafting the constitution. More than 25 million Filipinos

are eligible to vote in 73 provinces sprawled across archipelago's 7,107 islands. Ratification will confirm Mrs. Aquino in a six-year term ending in 1992 and pave the way for congressional elections in May

In Honolulu, Hawaii, Marcos, who recently vowed to return to Manila, said an eye ailment could prevent him from making the

and provincial elections in Au-

trip.
The deposed Philippine presi-

# Police on full alert after IRA triple bomb attack

BELFAST (R) — The police and army in Northern Ireland were on full alert Saturday after a triple bomb attack by the outlawed Irish Republic Army (IRA) wreaked havoc in Belfast, injuring four policemen and devastating a city centre street.

A powerful car bomb tore up Belfast's Queen Street Friday afternoon minutes after office workers and shoppers fled the area following a telephone

A police spokesman said: "The

area was just about cleared in time. We were very, very lucky. I dread to think of the carnage which might have happened."

A Belfast engineering works and a hotel were hit by bomb fragments and the IRA, fighting

to end British rule in Northern Ireland, claimed responsibility em Ireland Protestant leaders announced that more than 400,000 people had signed a petition to Queen Elizabeth requesting a referendum on a disputed Anglo-Irish agreement on North-ern Ireland. Two days ago police warned that the IRA was preparing to intensify its campaign.

The attacks came after North-

The accord gave Dublin a consultative voice in the running of the British province and Protestant hardiners in Northern Ireland view it as a British sell-out and unification with the Irish Republic.

Fiery Protestant preacher-politician Ian Paisley told reporters: "I do not think the Queen can turn a blind eye to what this petition is saying. Let us have the ballot and not be ruled by bombs, bullets and coercion.

# Thatcher hopes for U.K. leadership 'continuity'

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, fueled speculation she may make an early bid for a third term, Friday by saying she thinks Britain needs "continuity" of leadership through the 1988 U.S. presidential election season.

In an interview with the domestic news agency Press Association, the Conservative Party leader also said socialism - the main opposition Labour Party's basic policy - should be eradicated from Britain to encourage U.S. investment.

"I hope that we will be the nation that has the continuity in government and the continuity in leadership that I think is really rather necessary... to the Western world when you face a time when, by their constitution, the United States has to change presidents," said Mrs. Thatcher.

be in power for a long time. Mrs. Thatcher said. "This is just at the time when we want similar continuity, some continuity of experience going through in Europe.

Recent government moves, including spending to cut unemployment, have suggested Mrs. Thatcher may call an election as early as this summer, a year before her five-year term ends in June 1988.

British Prime Ministers can call elections at any time and usually do so if opinion polls are prom-

After trailing Labour most of last year, the Conservatives have climbed back. Most January polls put them 3 to 8 points ahead of

Mrs. Thatcher, 61, refused to comment on the timing of the next election, the third since she Adding that Soviet leader became Europe's first wom Mikhail Gorbachev was likely to prime minister in May 1979. became Europe's first woman

# Shevardnadze to visit

Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, slated to make his first visit to East Germany on Monday, was expected to discuss the Kremlinproposed changes in the Soviet electoral system, Western diplomats said.

But several diplomats inter-

The diplomatic analysts, who spoke on condition of anonymity. noted that the reports of personnel changes made at the Soviet political posts and that non-party Party congress did not receive the

One analyst also pointed to a Thursday report in Neues Deutschland, East Germany's Communist Party newspaper, that emphasised no substantive changes in government policies was foreseen in the coming

The party's policies "are well understood by the citizens of our country and supported in word and deed," Neues Deutschla said.

Mr. Gorbachev, speaking at the Moscow party congress, suggested that more than one candidate be allowed to run for some members be given a greater role

# **East Berlin on Monday** BERLIN (AP) — Soviet Foreign East Germany's state-run media.

viewed Friday said it was unclear whether the Communist East German leadership would wellier this week by Kremlin leader Mikhail Gorbachev at the Soviet Union's party congress.

customary prominent coverage in in Soviet society.

Soviet international affairs 1961-He also served in Soviet affairs posts at the State Department. After joining the foreign service in 1956, Mr. Matlock also

served in Vienna and spent seven

years in Africa, in U.S. embassies in Accra, Zanzibar and Dar Es Salaam. A graduate of Duke and Col-

umbia universities, he speaks French, German, Swahili and Czech as well as Russian. He is married to the former Rebecca and political officer specialising in Burrum. They have five children.

# Rebels kill provincial Afghan leader

duz province has been assassinated, the official Soviet News Agency TASS said Saturday in a

ciliation in Kunduz, was killed on advocated somewhat more plur-Thursday "at the hands of ban-

> It said the Afghan authorities had issued a statement "denouncing this act of terrorism" and praising Arezbigi for promoting efforts of the Soviet-backed government in Kabul to end its eight-

> tan's Bakhtar News Agency. TASS said the assassination took place at night but gave no other details. It said a funeral ceremony for Arezbigi was attended by thousands of Kunduz residents and "turned into a mas-

The killing was the most audacious known action by the Westem-backed rebels since Jan. 15. the start of a unilateral ceasefire proclaimed by Afghan leader

for Kabul's policies.

prolonged civil war in the country

that guerrillas had broken the ceasefire on more than 400 occasions, killing and wounding hun-

prising 5,000 men had gone over to the government side, and negotiations were under way with 460 armed groups.

TASS Saturday quoted Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze as saying the Afghan army had been replying to attacks by the rebels since the ceasefire took effect.

for visiting Mongolian Foreign Minister Mangalyn Dugersuren, Mr. Shevardnadze said the Soviet Union was doing its utmost to resolve conflicts in Asia and noted the ceasefire observed by the Afghan Armed Forces.

referring to guerrilla attacks. "Do those who are rejecting the idea of reconciliation and continuing to fire and kill people realise the entire measure of re-

Rebel groups based in Pakistan sponsibility which they are taking upon themselves for their ac tions?" he added.

Under the terms of the ceasefire, Afghan and Soviet troops were to be recalled to their permanent bases and halt hostilities from Jan. 15 unless attacked by the rebels.

The Soviet Union has 115,000 troops in Afghanistan, according to Western estimates. It began its military intervention in 1979, and according to official statements is now seeking the earliest possible return home of its troops.

The Soviet authorities have strongly supported the reconciliation programme announced by Najib at the New Year, two weeks after he met Kremlin leader Mikhail Gorbachev Moscow.

Emergency commissions for national reconciliation such as the one headed by Arezbigi have been set up since the start of the year in Afghan provinces to promote the new policy and oversee the return home of refugees from Pakistan and Iran.

The commissions operate under the anspices of the National Fatherland Front, an umbrella organisation linking pro-govern-ment forces in Afghanistan.

Kunduz province, where Mr. Arezbigi headed the Front's council, lies north of Kabul and borders on the Soviet Union.

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# Ershad opens Asian Poetry Festival

DHAKA (R) — Bangladesh President Hossain Mohammad Ershad recited one of his poems, "covenant of peace," when he opened the fifth Asian Poetry Festival here. "Poetry is the epitome of love, amity and brotherhood and the pens of the poets should help restore a happy and peaceful world," he told guests. The three-day festival is being attended by more than 100 poets from Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Iran, Japan, Malaysia, Nepal, North Korea, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Turkey, and the Soviet Union: Organisers said the poets would discuss setting up a translation bureau. Some Bangladeshi poets boycotted the festival, complaining it was mismanaged and had political overtones. They said their protest was not directed at Ershad himself.

#### 13 congressmen get acting break

WASHINGTON (R) - Thirteen U.S. congressmen will make their stage debuts next week in a comedy at the Kennedy Centrethey will play dead. The 13 will appear as corpses in a benefit showing of the murder comedy Arsenic and Old Lace, in which two old ladies keep the bodies of their poison victims stored in the basement. After the final curtain call, the basement door backstage will open and the 13 will walk up to take a bow, said Susan Lee, spokesman for the production. The corpses will be mainly from the ranks of the opposition Democratic Party. So far only one member of President Reagan's Republican Party has agreed to take part, Lee said. The benefit will help support the research efforts of the congressional caucus for women's issues, a bipartisan group. Congressmen who are members of the caucus were invited to join

#### Denenve enjoys playing complex roles

NEW YORK (AP) - French film star Catherine Deneuve says the enjoys playing characters who have more than one side. "I find an indentification with an ambiguous double-sided woman," she told the New York Times in a story published Friday. "Most women do. Not only actresses." In her new movie, Scene of the Crime, Miss Deneuve plays an outwardly passive and conventional woman with dark impulses awakened when she becomes fascinated with an escaped criminal. One of her first film successes, Belle De Jour, 20 years ago, was about a woman who was a proper upper-class wife by day and a prostitute at night.

#### N. Korean balloon crashes in Seoul

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A propaganda package apparently sent aloft by balloon in Communist North Korea crashed through a home in Seoul, police said. Police said a family in eastern Seoul was watching television Friday night when they heard a loud noise in their kitchen. A box lettered with the words "terminate U.S. imperialist invaders" and containing 50 North Korea-made batteries had smashed a yard-wide hole through the ceiling, the family told police. Police said they believed the box was part of a device sent aloft by balloon in North Korea to carry propaganda material to South Korea, where U.S. troops are stationed. Such methods are regularly used by North Korea to disseminate leaflets, especially during the winter when northerly winds are increased.

#### 'Bell's Palsy caused Mona Lisa's smile'

OAKLAND, California (AP) - The woman pictured in Leonards Da Vinci's Mona Lisa got her ethereal smile from a common none disorder, says a doctor who treats people suffering from the ailment. When patients suffering a temporary facial distigurement called Bell's Palsy are told they suffer Mona Lisa's disease, "they feel 200 per cent better," Dr. Kedar K. Adour was quoted as saying in the Feb. 2 issue of Physician's Weekly. Bell's Palsy probably caused partial degeneration of the nerves on the left side the face of the woman who posed for the famous painting, Adour said. The said. Adour told a recent medical meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico, that the condition would explain why Mona Lisa's smile is a little higher on the left side of her face and why her left eye is narrower than her right.

### 15 die from poisoned bread

LIMA, Peru (AP) - One adult and 14 children died after eating bread contaminated with an insecticide the Health Ministry said Another 260 people became sick but are recovering after eating the bread in the Andean city of La Union, about 200 kilometres north east of Lima, the ministry said.

### Courageous IV donated to Boston children

BOSTON (AP) — Courageous IV, the yacht that successfully defended the America's Cup in 1974 and 1977, has been donated for use at a sailing centre for Boston Children, Mayor Raymond L. Flynn said. Leonard F. Greene, owner of the 12-metre sailboat that competed in five cup regattas, is giving it to the city as the centrepiece of the centre, which is under development, said Flynn. The Courageous Sailing Centre will be phased in over three years, the mayor's office said. The goal is to have a 30-boat training facility financed by more than \$500,000 from public and private sources with support from the city. Courageous IV in October dropped out of the America's Cup series being contested in Fremantle, Australia, where the boat was clearly outclassed by

## Stepmother charged with killing son

ST. PAUL, Minnesotta (R) — A 61-year-old woman was charged in the death of her adopted son after a six-year search for the boy by his natural mother revealed he was murdered. Jerry Sherwood wept in court as charges were read against Lois Jurgens who adopted her first born son Dennis 25 years ago. The child died at the age of three from what was said at the time to have been a fail. Sherwood, an unmarried teenager who gave birth while an inmate in reform school, gave him up for adoption under pressure from her parole officer. Six years are she began questioning adoption officials and scouring newspaper clippings, gaming enough information to have old medical records reopened. As a result of new tests, including examination of the corpse, the authorities ruled the boy had been abused and his death was a homicide. Sherwood, now married to Dennis' father, has three other boys and a girl. Jurgens, who pleaded not guilty to second degree murder, faces up to 40 years in jail. She was freed on \$25,000 bail and trial was set for March 23.

# Tower of Pisa to be reinforced

ROME (AP) — A government panel has approved a plan to stabilise the leaning Tower of Pisa, the medieval landmark that lists more perilously every year, the Public Works Ministry announced. A team of experts plans to cut into the base of the 55-metre (180-foot) structure in hopes of stopping or slowing down its drop. the ministry said. If that doesn't work, architects will consider building a foundation underneath the tower. "I'm glad that things are finally moving regarding the problem of the tower," Pisa Mayor Giacomino Granchi was quoted as saying to the news agency AGI.
"But they had better intervene right away to stop the lean..." Architects and officials of the Tuscan City have warned that the tower is approaching the "critical point" in which the shift in the centre of gravity could cause it to fall over. The circular tower, topped by a belify and ringed by eight stories of round arches, leaned 1.26 millimetres in 1986, above the average annual movement of one millimetre. It tilts 17 feet off the perpendicular.

#### India, Pakistan hold talks in secrecy NEW DELHI (R) — India and and his Indian counterpart Alfred

Pakistan, who have fought three wars since independence, held a first round of talks here Saturday to reduce tension along their

The discussions were held in complete secrecy. Indian officials said a joint statement might be issued on Monday when they are

expected to end. Pakistan's Foreign Secretary Abdus Sattar, the Foreign Ministry's senior permanent official, suspicious of each other, have

Gonsalves, held discussions aimed at reducing troop deploy-

In recent weeks, both sides have massed troops at the border and conducted military exercises. The extensive deployments set off a crisis with both sides trading charges of border provocations and denying any offensive inten-

The two neighbours, deeply

British officials have said the

Zone will be patrolled by Falk-

land Islands-based British Air

Force planes and two fishery pro-

The Fishing Conservation

Zone is in the same area as a

150-mile military exclusion zone

that Britain declared after the

Foreign Minister Dante Capu-

to has said Argentina in its

attempts to avoid incidents will

be respecting the de facto military

zone, not the Conservation Zone.

Mosso told the Diarios Y Noticias

News Agency Argentine patrols

would be carried out by Coast

Guard vessels to avoid a militar-

In recent years foreign fishing

fleets invaded the zone around

the islands, heavily fishing the

waters under the cloak of the

Argentina, refusing to reach a

multilateral fishing agreement

with London, unilaterally

announced agreements with the

Soviet Union and Bulgaria to regulate fishing in waters

reaching into the exclusion zone.

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Feb. 1, 1987.

Defence Secretary Alfredo

fought three wars since independence from Britain in 1947.

The mere fact that Mr. Sattar and his aides flew to New Delhi on an Indian airline made news in Indian newspapers.

Pakistan held its annual winter exercise and informed India about it. Then India began to mass troops at the border and put its armed forces on alert, saying Pakistan had not withdrawn its

# Argentina to avoid clash over Falklands fishing zone

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Falklands War.

BUENOS AIRES (R) — Argentina has pledged it will avoid clashes with British ships and 150-mile Fishing Conservation aircraft patrolling a Falkland Islands fishing conservation zone that goes into effect Sunday, despite its firm rejection of the British move.

But President Raul Alfonsin's government said Friday it will exercise jurisdictional rights in British-claimed waters that extend 50 miles beyond the Conservation Zone, an area where Britain does not plan patrols.

Britain and Argentina have wrangled over the British-administered South Atlantic archipelago for 150 years, and in 1982 Argentina invaded the islands, setting off a 10-week war which

Britain won. The Foreign Ministry statement added that the principles of firmness and prudence guided Argentina's approach to the delicate situation arising out of overlapping claims to fishing zones around the Faiklands.

Since the war, the two sides have been unable to find common ground on which to reestablish relations or start talks on resolving the dispute. Buenos Aires also has maintained a technical state of hostilities with London. But the Foreign Ministry said

maintaining the peace in the fishing zone.
"All of the actions of the Argentine government will have as their permanent objective the

Argentina would give priority to

avoidance of all possibility of incidents," the statement said. "This has been done and will be done without detriment to the exercise of all the acts of jurisdic-

# **GOREN BRIDGE**

BY CHARLES GOREN

Q.—What do you recommend as

bany, N.Y. A.—First, let's clear up a misunderstanding. An optional double of a preemptive bid shows a no trump type of hand, and I am sure that's not what you mean. You really want to know whether I use takeout doubles or the Fishbein convention as a defense against preemptive opening bids. Bear in mind that partner can always convert your takeout double to penalties if he judges that is the right thing to

Next, let's describe Fishbein for those of our readers who do not know the convention. It was devised by the late Harry Fishbein as a method of protection against players who liked to psyche opening three-bids. A double of a preemptive bid was for penalties; a bid in the next higher-ranking suit was for takeout. Partner was never allowed to pass the takeout bid, because the action could have been based on a two-suited hand that did not include the suit bid.

The drawback of this method is obvious. Often, you are forced into a contract at one level higher than you should be. Even if the opponents can't double, you lose a lot of useful partscore contracts. From the foregoing, you might

have judged that I favor a takeout double as the best method of dea defensive measure against pre-emptive three-blds: Fishbein or fense against preempts. Since you optional doubles?-B. L. R., Alare forcing partner to bid at the three-level or higher, you need a pretty good hand to take that ac-tion. Most play that a takeout double of a three-bid shows a hand about a king stronger than the reouirements for a takeout double of

a one-level opening bid, i.e., the equivalent of 15-16 points. When partner makes a takeout double of a three-bid, he presumes that you have at least 6-7 points. Therefore, if that is all you hold, or only a little more, you should make the cheapest bid you have available in your best suit. With 9-10 points or better you can jump in your suit or bid three no trump with a stopper in the enemy suit. If are not sure which suit to pick, you can cue-bid the enemy suit to force partner to make the choice. That

action does not promise control of the enemy suit.

If you have to choose between an aggressive or conservative action in response to your partner's takeout double, bear in mind that suits are likely to break badly-the preemptor has already warned you that he is likely to be short in a couple of suits. Err on the side of caubridge, where plus scores are very

#### China steps up attack on advocates of reform 150-mile Fishing Conservation

PEKING (R) - China's Communist Party attacked outspoken advocates of reform Saturday, branding them pro-capitalist and quoting Deng Xiaoping as fore-casting chaos if the party's lead-

ership is undermined. Red Flag magazine, the party's ideological Bible, published a scathing indictment of three recently disgraced intellectuals, accusing them of urging China to seek complete Westernisation by

taking the capitalist road. the worst terms in China's lexicon of political abuse. It was once employed against Mr. Deng in his temporary fall during the Cultural Revolution, before he began his long climb back to power.

The magazine quoted Mr. Deng as saying that China would regress into chaos and its modernisation plans would fail if there were any wavering from the principle that the Communist Party must remain in charge of

building socialism. "Our party has made many mistakes, but every time we have relied on the party, and not abandoned the party, to correct our own mistakes," Red Flag's commentary quoted Mr. Deng as

Last Oct. 29, London responded by claiming a 200-mile fishing zone around the islands, adding that it would begin reg-ulating fishing activities in a 150-The magazine singled out for attack academic Fang Lizhi, wrimile Conservation Zone as of ter Wang Ruowang and journalist Argentina said the British Liu Binyan — the latter said by Hong Kong's South China Mornclaims marked a new attempt by ing Post last week to have gone London to usurp Argentine territory, increasing tension in the region. into hiding.

"All under heaven in China will be in chaos if the leadership of the Communist Party is abolished," declared Red Flag, attacking those who advocated the creation of a multi-party system or the tolerance of factions within the Communist Party.

A Western diplomat said it was "absolute nonsense" for the party to claim that the intellectuals now being pilloried had called for wholesale Westernisation or anything like it.
"Their only crime is to have

alism in terms of ideas in a way that was perfectly in order and even encouraged by the party last year," he said. The diplomat described as incredible the change in atmosphere that had taken place in. China in the month since New

Year's Day, when nationwide

pro-democracy student rallies culminated in defiant marches in central Peking. "Since then we have seen a reactionary backlash, and many cultural and other Chinese officials we speak to are scared stiff,"

The diplomat said the crackdown against freedom of express-ion following a period of relative openness was a familiar scenario for long-time China watchers, as the party sought alternately to loosen creative forces and to halttre 's that might threaten its mon solv of power.

#### since Brazil returned to civilian rule in 1985 after 21 years of military rule. Veteran U.S. aide named Moscow envoy

WASHINGTON (R) - Presi- Senate. dent Reagan has nominated Jack Matlock, a veteran Soviet affairs expert on the National Security Council, as the new U.S. ambas-

sador to the Soviet Union. Mr. Matlock, whose nomination had been expected, will succeed Arthur Hartman, 60, who served more than five years in the Moscow post following his October, 1981, appointment, the longest of any postwar ambassa-

dor to the Soviet Union. Mr. Matlock's nomination must be confirmed by the U.S.

#### His posting comes at a time when the embassy is suffering from personnel problems after Soviet authorities pulled out 210 local workers last October in retaliation for U.S. expulsion of 55 Soviet officials from the United

Mr. Matlock, 57, who includes Russian in his five foreign languages, is no stranger to Moscow. He was charge d'affaires there in 1981, deputy chief of mission 1974-78, and consular officer

#### MOSCOW (R) — The leader of Afghanistan's national reconciliahave rejected the ceasefire, a key element in Najib's plan to end the tion programme in northern Kun-

report suggesting Afghan rebels were responsible. TASS said Abdulahad Arezbigi, chairman of the Council of the National Front and Emergency Commission for National Recon-

dits"— the term used by Moscow to refer to the rebels. vear-old conflict with the guer-

TASS was quoting Afghanissive demonstration of support" and speed the return home of millions of refugees. The Soviet army newspaper Krasnaya Zvezda said Saturday

dreds of people.

But it said 60 rebel units com-

Speaking at a luncheon Friday:

Unfortunately, it so happens that they have to resort to selfdefence measures owing to actions by the other side," he said,